

Littoral Combat Ship

The "NEW NAVY" of the 21st Century



USS INDEPENDENCE LCS-2

Principal Characteristics

LOA: 127.6m
 Beam: 31.6m
 Draft: 4.4m
 Displacement Full Load: 3120MT
 Max. Speed (Light Load): >40 knots
 Range: Cruise @ 16 knots: 4,500 nm
 Sprint @ 36 knots: 1,500 nm
 Mission Bay: 1,100 sqm (11,800 sqft)
 Flight Deck: 1,030 sqm (11,100 sqft)
 Accommodation: 110 personnel

Armament Options Include:

32 Missile Vertical Launch System
 1 57mm Gun (Forward)
 8 Harpoon Missiles
 2 Close-in Weapons systems
 6 ASW Torpedoes

Propulsion and Electrical

Gas Turbines (2)
 Diesels (2)
 Waterjets (4) and Retractable Azi Thruster
 Diesel Generators (4)



LCS ships have a core crew of 40 officers and enlisted Sailors. LCS enlisted crew members are ESWS qualified Sailors, E4 and above, with a previous sea tour in the following ratings: QM, OS, IT, BM, MN, FC, GM, ET, EN, GSE, GSM, EM, DC, HM, LS, CS, and CMD SR CHIEF. USS Independence is one of two classes of LCS platforms.