

AMERICAN REVOLUTION CHRONOLOGY

Oct 7, 1763

Proclamation of 1763 British edict prohibiting colonial settlement west of the Appalachian Mountains.

Mar 22, 1765

The Stamp Act First direct British tax on American colonists, sparking widespread protest.

Mar 5, 1770

Boston Massacre A confrontation between British soldiers and a crowd in Boston resulting in five civilian deaths.

Dec 16, 1773

Boston Tea Party Protest by the Sons of Liberty against the Tea Act by dumping tea into Boston Harbor.

Apr 19, 1775

Lexington and Concord The first military engagements of the American Revolutionary War.

Jul 4, 1776

Declaration of Independence The Continental Congress formally adopts the document severing ties with Great Britain.

Oct 17, 1777

Battle of Saratoga A major turning point that convinced France to enter the war as an American ally.

Oct 19, 1781

Surrender at Yorktown General Cornwallis surrenders to Washington, effectively ending major land operations.

Sep 3, 1783

Treaty of Paris Official peace treaty between the United States and Britain recognizing American independence.