

Ratified amendments

#	Amendments	Proposal date	Enactment date
<u>1st</u>	Protects the freedom of speech , freedom of religion , and freedom of the press , as well as the right to assemble and petition the government	September 25, 1789	December 15, 1791
<u>2nd</u>	Protects an individual's right to bear arms	September 25, 1789	December 15, 1791
<u>3rd</u>	Prohibits the forced quartering of soldiers out of war time	September 25, 1789	December 15, 1791
<u>4th</u>	Prohibits unreasonable searches and seizures and sets out requirements for search warrants based on probable cause	September 25, 1789	December 15, 1791
<u>5th</u>	Sets out rules for indictment by grand jury and eminent domain , protects the right to due process , and prohibits self-incrimination and double jeopardy	September 25, 1789	December 15, 1791
<u>6th</u>	Protects the right to a fair and speedy public trial by jury , including the rights to be notified of the accusations , to confront the accuser , to obtain witnesses and to retain counsel	September 25, 1789	December 15, 1791
<u>7th</u>	Provides for the right to trial by jury in certain civil cases , according to common law	September 25, 1789	December 15, 1791
<u>8th</u>	Prohibits excessive fines and excessive bail , as well as cruel and unusual punishment	September 25, 1789	December 15, 1791
<u>9th</u>	Protects rights not enumerated in the constitution.	September 25, 1789	December 15, 1791
<u>10th</u>	Limits the powers of the federal government to those delegated to it by the Constitution	September 25, 1789	December 15, 1791
<u>11th</u>	Immunity of states from suits from out-of-state citizens and foreigners not living within the state borders. Lays the foundation for sovereign immunity	March 4, 1794	February 7, 1795
<u>12th</u>	Revises presidential election procedures	December 9, 1803	June 15, 1804
<u>13th</u>	Abolishes slavery and involuntary servitude , except as punishment for a crime	January 31, 1865	December 6, 1865
<u>14th</u>	Defines citizenship , contains the Privileges or Immunities Clause , the Due Process Clause , the Equal Protection Clause , and deals with post- Civil War issues	June 13, 1866	July 9, 1868
<u>15th</u>	Prohibits the denial of suffrage based on race, color, or previous condition of servitude	February 26, 1869	February 3, 1870
<u>16th</u>	Allows the federal government to collect income tax	July 12, 1909	February 3, 1913
<u>17th</u>	Establishes the direct election of United States Senators by	May 13,	April 8, 1913

	popular vote	1912	
<u>18th</u>	Establishes <u>prohibition of alcohol</u> (<i>repealed by <u>Twenty-first Amendment</u></i>)	December 18, 1917	January 16, 1919
<u>19th</u>	Establishes <u>women's suffrage</u>	June 4, 1919	August 18, 1920
<u>20th</u>	Fixes the dates of term commencements for Congress (January 3) and the President (January 20); known as the " <u>lame duck</u> amendment"	March 2, 1932	January 23, 1933
<u>21st</u>	Repeals the <u>Eighteenth Amendment</u> and prohibits violations of state laws regarding alcohol.	February 20, 1933	December 5, 1933
<u>22nd</u>	Limits the president to two terms, or a maximum of 10 years (i.e., if a Vice President serves not more than one half of a President's term, he or she can be elected to a further two terms)	March 24, 1947	February 27, 1951
<u>23rd</u>	Provides for representation of <u>Washington, D.C.</u> in the <u>Electoral College</u>	June 16, 1960	March 29, 1961
<u>24th</u>	Prohibits the revocation of voting rights due to the non-payment of <u>poll taxes</u>	September 14, 1962	January 23, 1964
<u>25th</u>	Codifies the <u>Tyler Precedent</u> ; defines the process of presidential succession	July 6, 1965	February 10, 1967
<u>26th</u>	Establishes the official voting age to be 18 years old.	March 23, 1971	July 1, 1971
<u>27th</u>	Prevents laws affecting Congressional salary from taking effect until the beginning of the next session of Congress	September 25, 1789	May 7, 1992 ^[1]