

Comparing Articles of Confederation W/ U.S. Constitution

| Feature | Articles of Confederation | U. S. Constitution |
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| Authors | 13 (1 from each state) | Constitutional Government |
| Ratified | 13 States | 13 States |
| Approval Problems | West Lands | Great Compromise Bill Of Rights |
| Gov. Powers | States more power | Federal Gov. more power |
| Congress | Unicameral | Bicameral |
| President | No | Yes |
| Relationship w/ States | Confederacy (Loose Alliances) | Union (Tight Bond) |
| Preamble | No | Yes (6 Goals) |
| Separation of Powers | No | Yes (Legislation, Executive, Judicial) |
| Checks & Balances | No | Yes |
| Representatives | 13 | Senate = 2 for each states House = Based on population (435 members) |
| Amendment | No | Yes (Bill Of Rights) |
| Success of Documents | No | Yes |
| Strength & Weaknesses | *Refer to notes | |
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