

Australian Builders Plates

As of October 7, 2015, Australian Builders Plate's (ABP's) will become a mandatory feature on all newly sold Pleasure Craft in the Northern Territory, with the exception of:

An amphibious vehicle; a canoe, kayak or surf ski or similar vessel designed to be powered by paddle; a rowing shell used for racing or rowing training; a sailboard or sail kite; a surf row boat; a hydrofoil or hovercraft; a race boat; a sailing vessel; a submersible; and an aquatic toy.

A sailing boat with or without an auxiliary engine is exempt from the requirement to have an ABP fitted.

Vessels subject to a Certificate of Survey, Personal Water Craft (PWC) and Inflatable boats must comply with different requirements.

If you're thinking of buying a new boat, the ABP takes the guesswork out of whether a boat meets your safety requirements.

All questions and queries should be directed to the Marine Safety Branch at marinesafety@nt.gov.au or on 8924 7100.

