

# AN ABP MEANS SAFER BOATING

The Australian Builders Plate for Recreational Boats (ABP), which is affixed to most new Australian and imported boats, helps you to –

## BUY A BOAT

The ABP lets you better compare boats so you can buy one to suit your needs. You can find out how many people can fit on board so the boat does not become overloaded.



## CHOOSE AN OUTBOARD MOTOR

The maximum outboard engine power rating on the ABP lets you choose a motor that the boat can safely handle.



## BOAT SAFE

Be careful you don't compromise your safety when modifying your boat. This is because some modifications to the boat's hull or permanent fittings could invalidate important safety information on the ABP. The boat's flotation characteristics, maximum load, maximum outboard power rating and weight could all be effected. So boat safe, check with your boat's builder or a marine professional before specifying changes to your boat.

### Need to Know More?

For further details contact your local marine agency or  
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