

Maritime Safety Queensland

BoatSafe Information Bulletin - 008

Use of Hire / Charter PWCs for BoatSafe

Purpose

This BoatSafe Information Bulletin is about the use of PWCs for the delivery of BoatSafe training and assessment that are not owned by the BoatSafe Training Organisation (BTO), the BoatSafe Training Provider (BTP) is not the listed entity for the ship as required for the National Law or the student is not the registered owner of.

Requirements

Situation

The BoatSafe Management Standard (August 2019) requires the BTP to use a certified ship for the delivery of BoatSafe practical training and assessment. In certain circumstances, a BTP approved to deliver PWC training and assessment, may not have their regular PWC available, for example, if the PWC has succumbed to a mechanical failure.

In these circumstances the BTP may charter an appropriately certificated PWC from another entity. The BTP must ensure that any chartered PWC meets the following requirements and records the PWC details on file as required in the BoatSafe governing documents.

Requirements to charter a PWC

The following must be met to use a chartered PWC for the delivery of BoatSafe training and assessment.

The PWC must;

- be certificated as at least a class 2E
- not be a Hire and Drive Class 4
- have a Safety Management System in place and have conducted a risk assessment covering BoatSafe operations
- be covered by appropriate insurance that lists the use of the PWC or all ships used under the service of the BTP
- display a Unique ID in accordance with the National Law.

The charter agreement with the PWC owner and the BTP must be kept with the BTP records and the Unique ID recorded on the student file, as per the BoatSafe Training Records requirements.

Further Information

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