

ABYC Project Technical Committee Report
Product Interface PTC Meeting
Webinar
May 25 & 31, 2016

Highlights from the ABYC Product Interface Project Technical Committee (PTC) webinar:

1. T-5, Safety Signs and Labels
 - Referenced ANSI Z535, Safety Alerting Standards.
 - Discussed the meaning of the term “Minimum Safe Viewing Distance” and added a clarifying clause from Z535.
 - Labels may be designed to make use of the available space. (Allows for non-rectangular labels)
 - Discussed the use of color on labels and if color is used, it must follow Z535.
 - Discussed the use of favorable and unfavorable reading conditions. Used the ANSI example of “low light” as being an unfavorable condition.
 - Gave direction on the use of upper case and lower case lettering in the message portion of the label.
 - Next action: Send to the Tech Board for acceptance.
2. T-31, Marine Law Enforcement Craft
 - Retained the wording of A-33 that emergency cut-off devices shuts down the propulsion unit when the operator is unexpectedly displaced from the boat.
 - Deleted applications of second tier standards.
 - Added a section, Hull Structures, to address commercial hull laminates.
 - Added VHF and EPIRB to the electronics package.
 - Added crew and spare life jackets.
 - Next Action: Send out for a second consensus ballot.
3. Next meeting will be at the call of the chair.

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