Australian Builders Plates

ABP information

Each Australian Builders Plate (ABP) lists the following information:

1. Boat Builder (or Importer, or other person approving the information) and Year of build (or Hull Identification Number - HIN)
2. Maximum outboard engine power
3. Maximum outboard engine weight
4. Maximum number and weight of persons
5. Maximum load (Maximum Load includes, for vessels fitted with outboard motors, the weight of the outboard. This is because for any specific vessel, the outboard can be exchanged for a different one (subject to the maxima on the ABP), which changes the other loads that can be carried within the vessel.)
6. Buoyancy performance (required only on vessels less than 6 metres in length)
7. Compulsory warning statement
8. Optional warning statements
9. Name of the Standard used in determining the above information

Sample ABP plates

The following figures give examples of ABPs for vessels of various sizes, with or without engines.

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Plate size: 98mm (wide) x 110mm (high)

AUSTRALIAN BUILDERS PLATE

[Builder]
[HIN or Build date]

Max persons  XX = XXX kg
Max load     XXX kg
Buoyancy     XXXXX Flotation

WARNING

Alteration of the boat's hull or permanent fittings may invalidate the particulars on this plate.
[Optional]
A) Person/load capacity warning statement.
B) Other optional information at builder's discretion.
Information determined — XXX

Figure 2 — Sample ABP template for boats less than 6 metres in length, not designed to be powered by an outboard engine

Plate size: 98mm (wide) x 133mm (high)

AUSTRALIAN BUILDERS PLATE

[Builder]
[HIN or Build date]

Max  ‡ = XXX kW
      = XXX kg
Max XX  = XXX kg
Max  ‡ + [ ] +  ‡ = XXX kg
Buoyancy XXXXX Flotation

WARNING

Alteration of the boat's hull or permanent fittings may invalidate the particulars on this plate.
[Optional]
A) Person/load capacity warning statement.
B) Other optional information at builder's discretion.
Information determined — XXX

Figure 3 — Sample ABP template for boats less than 5 metres in length, designed to be powered by an outboard engine, using text and symbols
Figure 4 — Sample ABP template for boats less than 6 metres in length, not designed to be powered by an outboard engine, using text and symbols

Figure 5 — Sample ABP template for boats 6 metres or more in length, designed to be powered by an outboard engine
Plate size: 98mm (wide) x 100mm (high)

**AUSTRALIAN BUILDERS PLATE**

3mm
[Builder]
[HIN or Build date]

5mm
Max persons XX = XXX kg
Max load XXX kg

**WARNING**
Alteration of the boat's hull or permanent fittings may invalidate the particulars on this plate.
[Optional]
A) Person/load capacity warning statement.
B) Other optional information at builder's discretion.
Information determined – XXX

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Figure 6 — Sample ABP template for boats 6 metres or more in length, not designed to be powered by an outboard engine

Plate size: 98mm (wide) x 130mm (high)

**AUSTRALIAN BUILDERS PLATE**

3mm
[Builder]
[HIN or Build date]

5mm
Max \[
= XXX kW
= XXX kg
Max XX \[ = XXX kg
Max \[ + \[ = XXX kg

**WARNING**
Alteration of the boat's hull or permanent fittings may invalidate the particulars on this plate.
[Optional]
A) Person/load capacity warning statement.
B) Other optional information at builder's discretion.
Information determined – XXX

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Figure 7 — Sample ABP template for boats 6 m or more in length, designed to be powered by an outboard engine, using text and symbols
Plate size: 90mm (wide) x 110mm (high)

**AUSTRALIAN BUILDERS PLATE**

[Builder]

[HIN or Build date]

Max XX [XX] = XXX kg

Max [XX] + [XX] = XXX kg

⚠️ Alteration of the boat's hull or permanent fittings may invalidate the particulars on this plate.

(Optional)

A) Person/load capacity warning statement.

B) Other optional information at builder's discretion.

Information determined – XXX

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Figure 8 – Sample ABP template for boats 6 metres or more in length, not designed to be powered by an outboard engine using text and symbols