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## **Hire & Drive Vessels - Inspection Requirements for "Paddle Boats and "Aqua Bikes"**

1. GENERAL:

This guidance note should be read in conjunction with the Northern Territory Marine (Hire and Drive Vessel) Regulations. Information as required by Section 8 of the Regulations is given below.

2. "PADDLE BOATS" and 'AQUA BIKES"

- 2.1 The area of operations will be restricted and as approved by the inspector. Operations outside inland waters will not be permitted.
- 2.2.1 Guards may be required over chains/sprockets. A check will be carried out to ensure that swimmers are protected from the drive chain by a guard underneath.
- 2.2.2 Guards may be required over paddles.
- 2.3 A general inspection using common sense will be carried out.
- 2.4 An in water operation trial will be conducted.
- 2.5 Buoyancy aid in the form of PFD 1 to AS 1512 shall be supplied to each hirer and shall be worn at all times on water. Suitable PFDs should be available for use by children.

Any matter not covered in this note shall be as per the USL Code.

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