

## **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

### **Marine Special Interest Group (M/SIG)**

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M/SIG has a focus on fire safety of Australia's coastal and blue water marine industries.

While currently inactive, FPA Australia wishes to revive a SIG to contribute to marine fire safety and related standards, codes and regulations, e.g. national standards produced by the National Marine Safety Committee (NMSC).

The M/SIG would aim to develop strong relationships with the NMSC, AMSA, state marine regulators and marine classification societies. The M/SIG will also serve to improve fire safety awareness, particularly for private vessels.

#### **Key Functions:**

- Keep abreast of legislation, regulations, codes, Australian Standards, and other publications that relate to marine fire safety.
- Provide guidance on technical and application matters related to marine fire safety to FPA Australia, TACs and SIGs.
- Establish and maintain links with marine regulators, classification societies and other marine industry organisations.
- Review FPA Australia's relevant educational material and recommend the development of supporting documents (e.g. a data sheet) when the need is identified.
- Assist with the preparation of articles for publications such as FireTalk and the Fire Australia Journal on matters relating to marine fire safety.
- Report to NTAC on key issues, recommendations, and request advice.

#### **Secondary Roles:**

- Provide a source of information on marine fire safety to FPA Australia members.
- Provide a forum for members with marine fire safety interests.
- Work cooperatively with relevant external groups.
- Provide information about seminars and conferences relative to the industry, which should be considered by the Board.
- Run seminars or workshops on subjects of interest to FPA Australia members.



**Interrelationships:**

- FPA Australia Head Office
- National Technical Advisory Committee (NTAC)
- TAC/11/22 Special Hazards Fire Protection Systems
- National Marine Safety Committee (NMSC)

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