



# Boat fire safety

- Install both smoke detectors and gas alarms onboard the boat and check that they work. Carbon monoxide gas is odour-free and difficult to detect.
- Have at least one 2-kilo fire extinguisher easily accessible onboard the boat.
- Always wear life vest when at sea. Have life vests readily accessible in case you need to abandon the boat.
- Moor at a good distance from other boats, so that it is possible to unmoor if a fire should occur.
- Gas systems and cooking and heating equipment must be installed, inspected and repaired by professionals. Beware of gas leaks. Stop the engine immediately if you notice a leak.
- Check the electrical system and electrical equipment. Take particular care to check that wires are not damaged.
- Flammable liquids must be stored in approved cans and secured against tipping.
- Do not spill fuel or oil. Stop the engine, and extinguish cigarettes and open flame prior to filling petrol or oil.
- Do not use the choke excessively.
- Shut all drainage points and outlets for petrol, gas and oil when the trip is finished.





# Rules for use of gas

- The propane tank must always be kept upright, and never be exposed to excessive heat or strong sunlight.
- Beware of propane leaks. Gas leaks may cause explosions, ignited by open flame, lit cigarettes or electrical sparks.
- Find any leaks as soon as possible by applying concentrated soapy water to hoses and hose couplings. When the gas valve is opened, soap bubbles will form wherever there is a leak.
- Only use LPG/propane hoses. Cracked or defective hoses must be replaced immediately. The longest legally permitted hose length is 1.5 metres (but 1.2 on a boat). Use hose clamps.
- Always have a lit match ready when the device's valve is to be opened. Shut off the gas at the tank when the system is not in use, and remember to detach the regulator when you will be absent for a long time.
- Shut off the gas on the tank and, if possible, move the tank to a safe place if a fire should occur.
- Always maintain devices and tanks in good condition, but do not attempt to repair damage or faults that arise yourself. Leave it to the propane dealer to carry out inspections at regular intervals and execute any necessary overhauls.
- Thoroughly study the assembly instructions and user manual, before using devices and systems. Ask the dealer if you have any questions or concerns.