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Based on ABYC's assessment of existing technology, and the problems associated with achieving the goals of this standard, ABYC recommends compliance with this standard for all boats, associated equipment, and systems manufactured or installed after July 31, 2010.

#### 24.1 PURPOSE

This standard is a guide for the design, choice of materials for, construction, installation, repair, and maintenance of permanently installed gasoline fuel systems.

## **NOTES:**

- 1. Portable Gasoline fuel systems are covered by ABYC H-25, "Portable Gasoline Fuel Systems".
- 2. The United States Coast Guard has promulgated mandatory requirements for gasoline fuel systems in 33 CFR, Subpart J, Sections 183.501 183.590. Refer to the CFR for complete, current federal requirements.
- 3. The Environmental Protection Agency has promulgated regulations regarding the evaporative and diurnal emissions for gasoline spark ignition marine engines and fuel systems. These regulations can be found in 40CFR chapter 1060.

## 24.2 **SCOPE**

This standard applies to all parts of permanently installed gasoline fuel systems from the fuel fill opening to the point of connection to the propulsion engine and/or to any auxiliary equipment on all boats with gasoline engines, excluding onboard refueling systems.

#### 24.3 **REFERENCES**

24.3.1 The following publications form a part of this standard. Unless otherwise noted the latest version of referenced standards shall apply.

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ABYC E-11, AC and DC Electrical Systems on Boats ABYC H-2, Ventilation of Boats Using Gasoline ABYC H-25, Portable Gasoline Fuel Systems ABYC T-5, Safety Signs and Labels

ASTM International – American Society for Testing and Materials International, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959. Phone: (610) 832-9585. Fax: (610) 832-9555. Website: www.astm.org.

ASTM D-471, Standard Test Method for Rubber Property—Effect of Liquids ASTM D1622, Apparent Density of Rigid Cellular Plastics

AWS – American Welding Society - 550 N.W. LeJeune Road, Miami, Florida 33126 Phone: (800) 443-9353. Website: www.aws.org

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