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Ben Merrill of Yarmouth Boat Yard Attains ABYC Certification

July 5, 2018 Yarmouth, Maine — Yarmouth Boat Yard is pleased to announce that Ben Merrill recently completed the Marine Systems Certification offered by the American Boat & Yacht Council (ABYC).

ABYC has been developing, writing and updating the safety standards for boatbuilding and repair for over 60 years. "We offer comprehensive training courses and a challenging certification test," says Ed Sherman, ABYC Vice President and Education Director. "Technicians like Ben who have achieved ABYC's Certification, have demonstrated not only their understanding of applicable ABYC Standards, but their ability to troubleshoot and facilitate first quality repairs to your boat." Ben is now one of a growing group of certified specialists in the country whose commitment to excellence means better customer service for the recreational boater.

Prior to passing the comprehensive exam, Ben spent a week preparing for the certification by attending the ABYC Marine Systems class in Baltimore, Maryland. This is Ben's second ABYC certification, he has also completed ABYC's Electrician Certification.

"At Yarmouth Boat Yard, we believe that enrolling our marine technicians in ABYC's training programs help increase the quality of our customer's boating experience," said Steve Arnold, owner of Yarmouth Boat Yard, Moose Landing Marina and Freedom Boat Club. "But, what it really takes is the commitment of our employees to be able to advance their own knowledge by attending the ABYC program. We're proud of Ben and what this means for Yarmouth Boat Yard."

Ben has been working as a certified technician with Yarmouth Boat Yard for about 10 years.

About Yarmouth Boat Yard

<u>Yarmouth Boat Yard</u> has been servicing and selling new and quality used boats since 1948. The full-service marina offers over 100 slips and both outdoor and indoor heated winter boat storage. Our expert technicians can handle everything from painting and detailing to engine overhauls, routine maintenance, or preparing your engine for the season. Our certified electronics specialists can assist with service and installation of all your marine electronics. For more information on Yarmouth Boat Yard, visit <u>YarmouthBoatYard.com</u> or call 207-846-9050.

About ABYC

American Boat & Yacht Council is a non-profit, member organization that develops voluntary global safety standards for the design, construction, maintenance, and repair of recreational boats. ABYC has a long-established commitment to providing technical education, training, certification and professional development. Their seminars, workshops and technician certification courses are instrumental in increasing the level of knowledge and professionalism throughout the boating industry. For more information about ABYC's Certification Program, please call Sandy at 410-990-4460 ext.101 or visit www.abycinc.org.

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