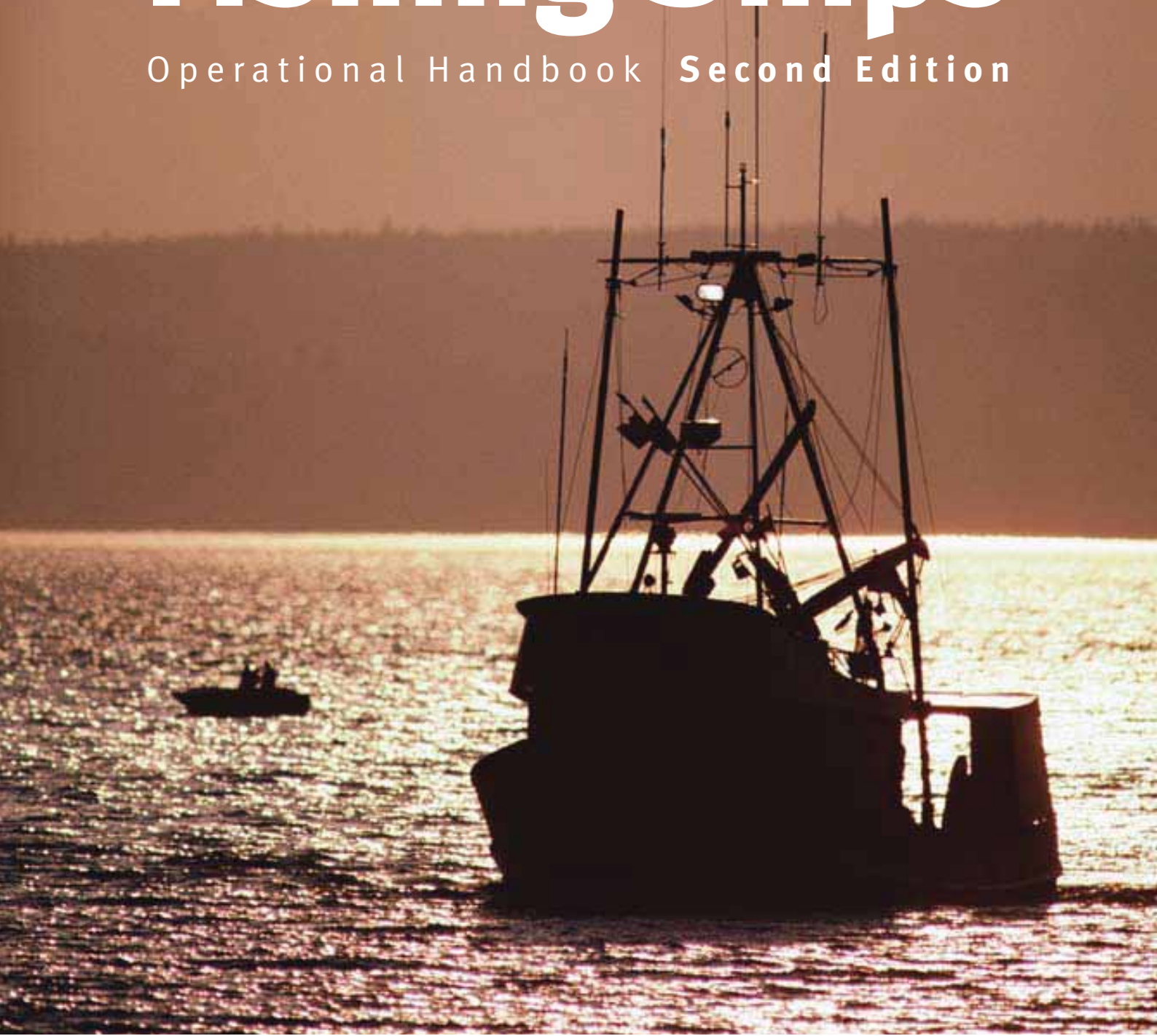


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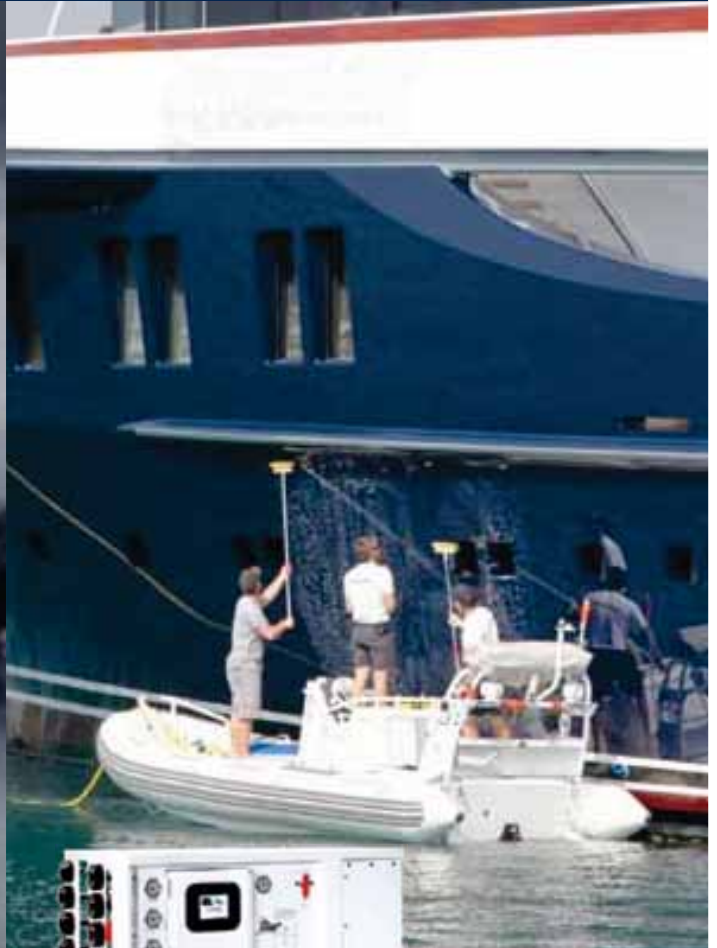
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Introduction

A career in the commercial maritime industry in Australia is one that can lead you down many exciting pathways. Commercial vessels that are used in Australian waters include fishing and tourism vessels, passenger ferries, exploration and expedition vessels, trading ships (both domestic and foreign-going), barges, dredges and tugs. Also, there is an increasing reliance on commercially-qualified masters, engineers and crew members for larger private vessels. All these options ensure a tremendous opportunity for a rewarding and challenging career, in which the scope of growth and availability of training has enabled many a deckhand to progress along their career path to become the master of a foreign-going ship.

In Australia, industries in the resource and tourism sectors are experiencing significant growth and as a result the demand for qualified crew members is growing. Increased regulation in the fishing industry, which will ensure its future rather than inhibit it, requires a professional and progressive approach from crew members and masters of fishing ships in order to meet the challenges of sustainability.



However, even to the experienced recreational boater, entry into the commercial sector can seem daunting. Certification, survey requirements, domestic and international regulations and the need to become familiar with a whole new nautical language may seem like challenging obstacles to overcome.

Common to all aspects of commercial seafaring, regardless of the nature of the vessel, is the requirement that crews are competent mariners and have a broad knowledge of practices that are specific to seafaring in all its forms throughout the world. Some of these skills are hundreds of years old, others are skills that are essential to our modern day occupational health and safety requirements or specific to machinery and equipment commonly used on today's vessels.

What this manual covers

This manual is a learning aid for crew members new to working on a commercial vessel and includes information on:

- **Legislation, conventions and regulations under which all commercial vessels operate.**
- **The requirements for certification and the crewing of commercial vessels in Queensland.**
- **How to assist the master and fellow crew members to deal with any onboard emergencies that may arise.**
- **Using terminology common to all ships.**
- **Understanding your obligations with regard to safe working practices.**
- **Identifying and comprehending the basic elements of good seamanship and safe navigation.**

