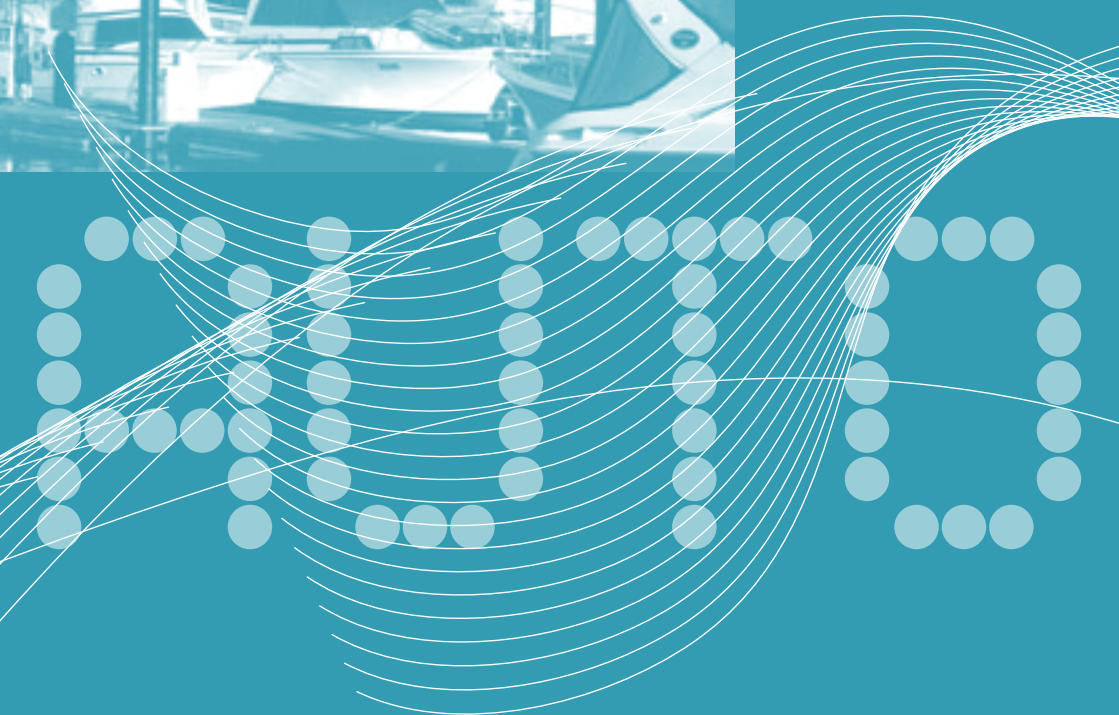


The job of a Marine Technician can be a challenging and rewarding career if you enjoy the outdoors and water based activities. This is a rapidly growing industry and a career in this industry could lead to opportunities throughout Australia and the rest of the world.

# Marine Technician



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## You would enjoy being a Marine Technician if

- Have a keen interest in working outdoors and in water related activities
- You enjoy being prepared and have an ability to prioritize
- Have a medium level of maths and English skills
- Have good communication skills
- Have an ability to think on your feet
- Enjoy problem solving.

## Where would a Marine Technician Work?

Marine Technicians would usually work in a boat workshop or combined workshop working on inboard and outboard boat engines and equipment.

## What sort of Marine Technician can I be?

**Service person**– Work in a boat workshop or combined workshop repairing and servicing of deck, hull, cabin equipment and fittings as well as cleaning and maintaining surfaces.

**Installer**– Work could include servicing engines and engine components, cooling and petrol fuel systems and clutch assemblies. Installation and service of propeller drive and jet drive propulsion systems, installation of marine electrical/ electronic systems and inboard marine hull equipment/ instruments.

**Mechanic**– Work could include diagnosis of problems, repair and servicing of engines and engine components, cooling and petrol fuel systems and clutch assemblies. It also involves repair and service of inboard and outboard marine transmissions, propeller drive and jet drive propulsion systems and trailers, installation and repair of marine electrical, electronic and ignition systems and inboard marine hull equipment/instruments.

**Trimmer**– Trimmers make, install, repair or modify the seats, upholstery, linings, interior trim, roof and door linings and floor coverings of boats.

## Trade Facts

### What sort of training do you need?

Training is essential to becoming a Marine Technician and there are Australian Apprenticeships in Automotive Marine Mechanics or Installation.

The length of the training can vary and may involve on-the-job and off-the-job components.

The off-the-job training is provided through Registered Training Organisations to the Certificate III level. You may be able to start training for this occupation while still at school.

### Smart Move

A Marine Technician may progress to positions such as service advisor or manager, boat builder or engineer, marine sales specialist or business manager or owner.

### How do I get a job as a Marine Technician?

- Join a Group Training Company
- Respond to advertisements in the paper or internet
- Refer to the 'Automotive Careers on the Move' flyer for more information and contact details in your state.

