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## 1 Scope

This document provides requirements and recommendations for the selection and installation of lithium-ion batteries for boats. It applies to lithium-ion batteries and to battery systems with a capacity greater than 600 Wh, installed on small craft for providing power for general electrical loads and for electric propulsion systems. It is primarily intended for manufacturers and battery installers.

## 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

## 3 Terms and definitions

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- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

### 3.1

#### ampere interrupt capacity

##### AIC

maximum current a circuit breaker or fuse is rated to safely interrupt at a specific voltage

### 3.2

#### battery

collection of *cells* (3.7) wired in series (or series/parallel) and constituting a single physical unit

### 3.3

#### battery bank

set of *batteries* (3.2) electrically connected (parallel/series) to increase capacity and or voltage

### 3.4

#### battery capacity

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capacity of the *battery* (3.2), expressed in ampere-hours (Ah) at a nominal voltage or in watt hours (Wh), from the manufacturer's specified fully charged to discharged voltage levels

Note 1 to entry: Ah capacity rating at a given discharge rate or time.

### 3.5

#### battery management system

##### BMS

system designed to protect a lithium-ion *battery* (3.2) from potentially damaging events, such as overcharging or overdischarging and high and low temperatures

### 3.6

#### battery system

*battery* (3.2) or batteries and all ancillary components