

Recreational craft industry: exhaust and noise emissions from boat engines (amend. Directive 94/25/EC)

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The European Parliament adopted the report by Mr Martin Callanan (EPP-ED, UK). A majority backed the view of the rapporteur regarding the scope of the Directive and adopted amendments accordingly. Among the technical amendments adopted, one seeks to impose stricter limit values for exhaust gases on recreational craft using lakes. It was argued that lakes, as standing waters, were particularly vulnerable and that they might be used as a source of drinking water. Parliament also called on Member States to consider promoting the use of biodegradable fuels at national level as a way of drastically reducing the pollution of water by lubrication oils.