On demand, flueless, tankless, propane water heater in boats.





Just came across this propane water heater in a sloop. It's flueless, which means the CO produced does not vent outboard of the vessel. ABYC A26 states unattended appliances incorporate a room sealed combustion system. This heater does not.

I contacted Rinnai about the installation, below is my question and their response.

Message from: John Bond

Contact Email: john@marinesurveyorontario.com

Hello,

I have a Rinnai model REU-68ET flueless on demand propane hot water heater installed in the salon of a 32 foot sailboat. Does Rinnai recommend this application?

Thank you

From: Adam Tucker

To: john@marinesurveyorontario.com

Subject: Fwd: FW: Contact Us - New Message from John Bond

John,

Rinnai is a global company with 15 locations across the world. The model unit you have is a Rinnai New Zealand product. It is no longer manufactured by Rinnai NZ and was never released in Rinnai North America and was not certified by CSA for use in Canada. I cannot recommend the product since I have no testing to North American gas appliance standards.

Thanks, Adam Tucker Rinnai Commercial Technical Support Manager

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