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Westlawn Offers Boat Interior Design Reference Book to the Public

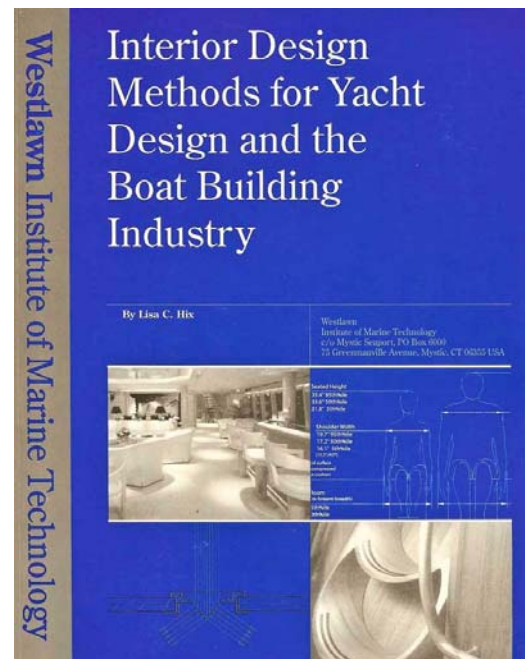
Text Offered for Sale for the First Time

“Interior Design Methods for Yacht Design and the Boat Building Industry”

April 28, 2009, Annapolis, MD: In a first-time release to industry and the general public, the Westlawn Institute of Marine Technology announced today that the textbook *Interior Design Methods for Yacht Design and the Boat Building Industry*, by Lisa C. Hix, is now available for purchase. Specifically prepared as a textbook for Westlawn’s intensive Yacht & Boat Design Program, and also used as the text for Westlawn’s continuing education course in boat interior design, *Interior Design Methods for Yacht Design and the Boat Building Industry* provides detailed technical information not available from any other source. According to Westlawn Director, Dave Gerr, “this unique book is the only reference of its kind in the world, covering all aspects of boat interior design and human-factors engineering (ergonomics). It is the closest thing there is to an *Architectural Graphic Standards* for boat interior design.”

Since its founding in 1930, Westlawn’s policy has been to sell its textbooks solely to students actively enrolled in Westlawn courses. In response to continued requests for a reference on boat interior design, however, and recognizing that there is no other comparable reference source available to the boating industry; Westlawn has decided to make *Interior Design Methods for Yacht Design and the Boat Building Industry* available to all.

Heavily illustrated, with numerous line drawings and photos on nearly every page, *Interior Design Methods for Yacht Design and the Boat Building Industry*, will answer almost any question a designer, builder, surveyor, crewmember, or serious boater may have about the accommodations and arrangements required for safe, comfortable, and efficient crew and passenger spaces. Though focused on boats (vessels under 200 feet or 60 meters), the information is equally valuable for efficient and comfortable



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accommodations on commercial vessels of all sizes.

Author Lisa Hix, brings years of practical experience as an industrial design consultant to bear in her clear and comprehensive coverage of the subject matter. Ms. Hix has a degree in industrial design from the Rhode Island School of Design and a diploma from the Yacht Design Institute. She has been a staff designer and project manager for production boatbuilding companies' design teams, where she has worked from concept through tooling and prototyping, to sea trials. She has done design consulting and illustrations for boatbuilders, naval architects, and marine equipment manufacturers. Ms. Hix has also served as a lighting fixture designer for a major manufacturer, and as a lighting consultant for residential and commercial spaces. With experience including sailing and motoring many types of boats as well as sailing transatlantic, she has gathered real-world functional information on human-factors engineering aboard boats first-hand.

Pricing and Purchasing Information

This book is 251 pages, in a perfect bound soft cover. The price for ABYC members is \$74.95 plus shipping and for non-members is \$89.95 plus shipping. Copyright © 2001, Westlawn Institute of Marine Technology, Inc., ISBN 978-0-578-01956-7. To purchase Westlawn Institute's *Interior Design Methods for Yacht Design and the Boat Building Industry*, go to the online ABYC Ship's Store at www.abycinc.org.

Founded in 1930, the [Westlawn Institute of Marine Technology](http://www.westlawn.edu) is the only nationally accredited and state-certified distance-learning school of small-craft design in the United States. As the not-for-profit educational affiliate of the [American Boat and Yacht Council](http://www.abyc.org), the mission of the Westlawn Institute of Marine Technology is threefold:

- To provide our students with the skills and knowledge required to build a rewarding career in the profession of yacht and small-craft naval architecture.
- To support continued growth of the recreational and small-craft marine community through the development of well-trained, safety-oriented, boat designers developing better products for the benefit of the boating public.
- To provide continuing education to marine-industry professionals.

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Editor's Note: The full table of contents of "Interior Design Methods for Yacht Design and the Boat Building Industry" is listed below.

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