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Marine Straddlelift and Forklift Operator Training at IBEX 2010 *ABBRA to offer two courses immediately following industry event*

Warren, RI—The American Boat Builders & Repairers Association (ABBRA) will be offering two courses this fall at the Kentucky Exposition Center in Louisville, Kentucky, immediately following the International Boatbuilders' Exhibition & Conference (IBEX). On October 1, 2010. A [Marine Equipment Operator Training](#) (MEOT) in Marine Straddlelift is scheduled for the morning of October 1, 2010, and a Marine Forklift Training, will be available to MEOT participants that afternoon.

"We're offering these training courses immediately after IBEX for ABBRA members and non-members," Doug Domenie, president of ABBRA, says. "Our Marine Equipment Operator Training has always been a popular course and coupling it with IBEX is a great way to offer people convenient access to low-cost training—with no additional travel expenses!"

ABBRA's MEOT training addresses such classroom topics as OSHA requirements, operator responsibilities, accident prevention, equipment inspection, boat-lifting and -blocking standards, job-site safety, lift planning, supervisor awareness, and rigging considerations. Long-time renowned ABBRA instructor Paul Doppke will be presenting the Straddlelift and Forklift sessions.

The fee for the MEOT in Marine Straddlelift or Forklift is \$150 per person. Registrants who opt to take both course will pay a reduced fee of \$275. All fees include course instruction, related course handouts, and a certificate of completion following successful completion of a written final exam.

Registration is currently open for the [MEOT](#) course at www.abbra.org/meot or by calling the ABBRA office at 401-247-0318.

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