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Fiskars' Buster to supply patrol boats to the German police

Fiskars' Boats business has signed a contract to supply Buster boats to the German police. Under the contract, Fiskars will supply the water police in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern (Wasserschutzpolizei Mecklenburg-Vorpommern) with eight specially equipped Buster XXL Cabin boats for use in monitoring the waterways north of Berlin.

"The contract showcases the high quality and durability of our boats," says Juha Lehtola, President of Fiskars Boats. "Professional users particularly appreciate the advanced features of Buster boats, features that benefit everyone who uses our boats year in, year out."

The German police selected their new patrol boats following an EU-level competitive tender process and hands-on sea trials. The waterways to be patrolled cover lakes, rivers, and coastal waters, and the selected boats need to be safe, flexible, and offer excellent performance to deal with these varying conditions and a wide range of situations. Patrol boats are also used to monitor boat traffic and for various rescue duties.

Fiskars' Buster brand is the market leader in its core markets in Finland, Sweden, and Norway. Buster boats had a 24% share of the Finnish market in 2010, and the Buster business grows faster than the market. In addition to leisure use, Buster boats are employed extensively by official agencies in a number of countries; in Norway, for example, the Buster Magnum Pro is used by the country's sea rescue services.

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