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**General Marine Services Limited (GMS) started as a marine engineering company in 1993. From being mobile to moving into a workshop on the waterfront, the company says it soon filled a gap in the market by adding specialist trade and retail products to what its service team already offered the marine industry.**



## PRODUCT OR SERVICE, BIGGER IS BETTER

**T**hese days they're all of that, and more, says GMS director Roy Chalton.

"We're probably one of the biggest service providers and specialist marine product suppliers to the industry nationally. We've got one of the largest marine service teams in Auckland. And we operate out of the newly developed Orams Yard in downtown Auckland." In a quirk of history, GMS's first premises was in the yardarm building at the original Orams Yard but moved across the road when the site was developed several years ago. The move back into Orams Yard suits GMS's own scale and capacity "It's the largest marine refit facility for superyachts in the southern hemisphere," says Chalton. "The Orams haul-out capability for vessels big and small makes it the perfect site for us."

GMS worked on the first two superyachts to come to New Zealand, but the business has grown to support and service any type of vessel, recreational or commercial. Services range from engines, generators and propulsion, pumps, plumbing and fluid handling, to certified fabrication, installation and machining.

The retail arm offers a large range of plant and equipment including highly respected brands such as Scania, Cummins, Onan, Bauer,

Hamilton Jet and Gianneschi, with all products fully backed by the GMS service department.

"Having a direct connection between the GMS Store and GMS services simplifies getting the right part and means they can meet your repair or service needs more efficiently," says Chalton.

In addition to the premises at Orams Yard, the company has recently moved into a large facility just ten minutes' drive away in Te Atatu South. There, GMS can take major engine work off-site, or build larger systems ready for installation on vessels hauled at Orams Yard, systems such as a sewage treatment plants, desalination plants, engine frames, system component brackets, etc. Being able to do large fabrication work off-site streamlines the services at Orams Yard, adding to capacity and speeding up delivery time.

"Having the workshop at Orams and the new headquarters at Te Atatu means we can take on larger projects, without losing sight of our smaller local clientele," says Chalton. "Whether you're a superyacht, a Fullers ferry, family cruiser or a recreational diver we want to support you with whatever you need so that you can get out and enjoy the ocean safely with quality systems, machinery and gear you can have confidence in."

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