

Torqueedo shock the Australian electrics market

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German engineered Torqueedo electric outboard motors are set to explode into the Australian market thanks to their newly formed

different models from Torqueedo's extensive electric outboard range.

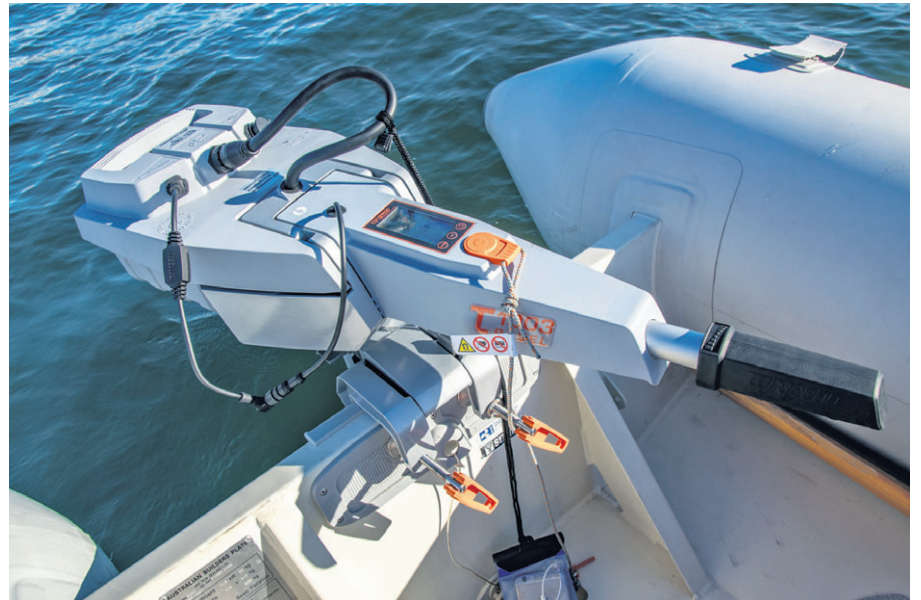
Australian consumers will have no worries finding a dealer for the Torqueedo range anywhere in the country, now that the brand is supported and backed by Australian

Equipment's infrastructure and dealer network.

"It means Australian consumers will now know where to get information on the best electric outboards on the market. We've already seen the response in only a short time. It's a fantastic product and people are excited they can now access it easier through our network."

ULTRALIGHT

The Torqueedo range extends from 1hp equivalent motors, right through to 80hp weapon. The 1hp equivalent Torqueedo Ultralight 403 is perfectly matched to any kayak or canoe, and pushed the Aquayak Scout (3m) at an impressive 8.6km/h. What is probably more useful, is when backed off to a cruising speed of 4km/h, the included Torqueedo Lithium-ion battery gives the user an amazing 4-5hrs of running time. Integrating with the kayak's steering



The Torqueedo Travel 1003 features a modular design with integrated lithium battery and detachable tiller arm.

and tilting system, the Ultralight 403 is easy to operate and features a small, easily mountable hand control for throttle. It retails for \$2,750, including

range if necessary.

CRUISE

For serious electric enthusiasts, the Torqueedo Cruise offers 5hp, 8hp and soon to be released 20hp

designed to power the Torqueedo Cruise range of motors, but is more than capable of powering any high output electric motor. Weighing only 25kg, the Power 26-104 is under half the weight of equivalently powered lead acid systems. Lithium batteries also benefit from their inherent ability to retain full output until reaching a state of no charge. Unlike lead acid batteries where power output tapers off as the battery decreases in charge. The Torqueedo Lithium 26-104 retails for \$4,290 including GST and is rated for 800 full discharge cycles before the battery will lose 25% of its capacity.

CONTEMPORARY TECHNOLOGY

All Torqueedo electric outboards are equipped with an on-board 'brain' that will tell you specifics, such as ground speed, range to empty, wattage draw and current battery power remaining. The Torqueedo Torq Trac app, which is available in both the Apple and Google Play Store, links your smartphone to your Torqueedo outboard for even more information.

The Torqueedo range of outboards are manufactured in Germany and are absolutely top quality. The motors are quiet and deliver punchy throttle response. Torqueedo specifically design every aspect of their motors for ultimate efficiency. We were impressed by the motors and look forward to seeing the Torqueedo range supported by a company with the distribution and support network of Power Equipment.

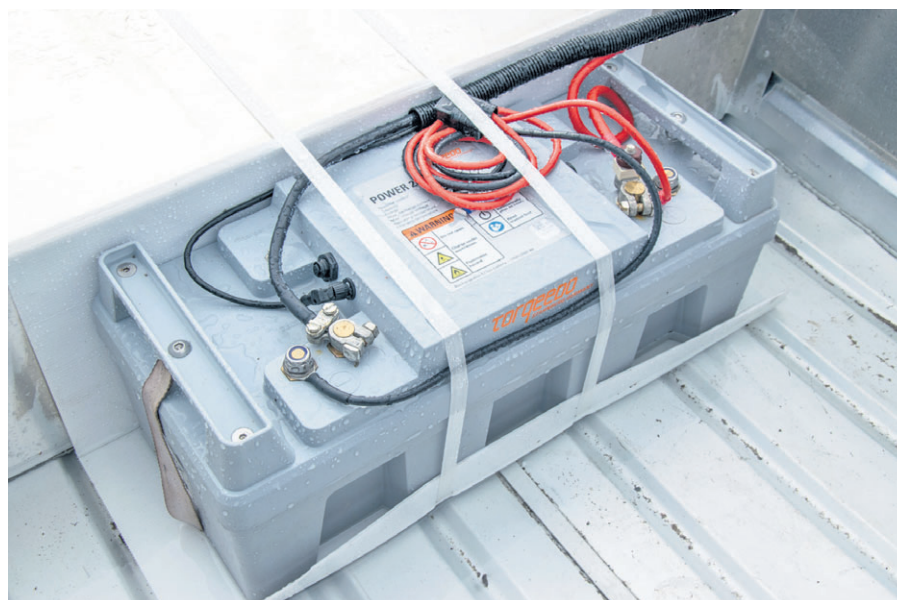
For more information on the Torqueedo range of electric outboard motors, visit Power Equipment's website at www.powerequipment.com.au/products/torqueedo/.



Fishing Monthly recently attended the media day celebrating the new distribution of German-engineered electric outboards, Torqueedo. FM was very impressed with the efficiency of these great motors.

distribution agreement with Melbourne-based Power Equipment. Fishing Monthly recently attended a Torqueedo launch event at Sandringham Yacht Club and trialed three

industry powerhouse, Power Equipment. Torqueedo Product Manager Jason Hodder is excited to have a brand such as Torqueedo, operating with the backing of Power



Torqueedo also offer their Power 26-104 lithium powerpack for use with their Cruise outboards. The lithium battery is under half the weight of equivalent lead acid systems.

GST, and is also available as a package deal with Aquayak Kayaks.

TRAVEL

The Torqueedo Travel 503 (1.5hp) and 1003 (3hp), as their name implies, are the perfect electric outboard for the nomadic traveller. Featuring a modular design incorporating the main motor leg, tiller arm and integrated lithium-ion battery, the Travel series can easily be moved to and from the boat, or switched between vessels. The integrated lithium-ion battery means you don't need a bulky heavy lead-acid battery to be mounted anywhere, simply plug and play and enjoy up to 3hp of electric propulsion. The two models start from \$2,530 including GST and spare integrated batteries are available for increased

equivalent models. Standing proud as a standalone electric outboard, the Cruise models are powered with a separate Torqueedo Lithium-Ion Power 26-104 battery, but can also be run off any suitably powered deep cycle battery on the market.

On a Quintrex 3.2m punt, even the smallest Torqueedo Cruise 2.0 (5hp) model, produces incredible torque and thrust with instant throttle response and up to planing speeds. Starting from \$5,610 including GST, these aren't for the faint-hearted, but if you want to plane on an electric boat, these are one of the only options.

LITHIUM POWER BATTERY

The Torqueedo Lithium Power 26-104 battery caught our eye. The 24v lithium power pack is



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