

FATAL CRUSH INCIDENT

THE QUESTIONS BELOW WILL HELP YOU TO REVIEW THE INCIDENT CASE STUDY EITHER INDIVIDUALLY OR IN SMALL GROUPS. IF POSSIBLE, DISCUSS YOUR CONCLUSIONS WITH OTHERS, AS THIS IS A GOOD WAY OF THINKING ABOUT THE ISSUES IN MORE DEPTH.

Please use the information provided in the case study together with your own experiences and thoughts, to reflect on the incident and how the issues identified might relate to your own situation.

WHAT DO YOU THINK WAS THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF THE INCIDENT?

WHAT OTHER FACTORS DO YOU THINK CONTRIBUTED TO THE INCIDENT?

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WHAT DO YOU THINK WERE THE BARRIERS THAT SHOULD HAVE PREVENTED THIS INCIDENT?

WHY DO YOU THINK THESE BARRIERS MIGHT NOT HAVE BEEN EFFECTIVE ON THIS OCCASION?

WHAT RISK ASSESSMENTS AND PROCEDURES ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE USE OF MOVING MACHINERY, SUCH AS GANTRY CRANES, ON YOUR SHIP? DO THESE IDENTIFY THE RISK OF ENTRAPMENT AND/OR CRUSHING OF PERSONNEL?

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WHAT WARNING DEVICES ARE FITTED TO THE MOVING MACHINERY, SUCH AS GANTRY CRANES, ON YOUR SHIP? DO YOU BELIEVE THESE ARE EFFECTIVE AND ADEQUATE TO MITIGATE THE IDENTIFIED RISKS?

WHO ARE THE AUTHORISED OPERATORS OF ANY LIFTING EQUIPMENT ON YOU SHIP? WHAT TRAINING HAVE THEY BEEN PROVIDED WITH? WHAT TRAINING HAVE OTHER CREW MEMBERS BEEN PROVIDED WITH IN THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE USE OF THE LIFTING EQUIPMENT?

WHAT IS YOUR COMPANY'S DRUGS AND ALCOHOL POLICY? IN LIGHT OF THIS INCIDENT, WHAT ARE YOUR VIEWS ON THE POLICY?

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