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# Port Marine Safety Code Guide to Good Practice and DWHL Update

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# Update

- PMSC / Guide to Good Practice
- PMSC Health Checks
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# PMSC Update

PMSC due for publication shortly as the:

*Port and Marine Facilities Safety Code*...with an increased emphasis on guidance for other non-SHA marine facilities on compliance with the code

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Section 2 Designated Person

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Section 4 Duties & Powers

Section 5 Risk Assessment

Section 6 Marine Safety Management System

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Section 8 Competence

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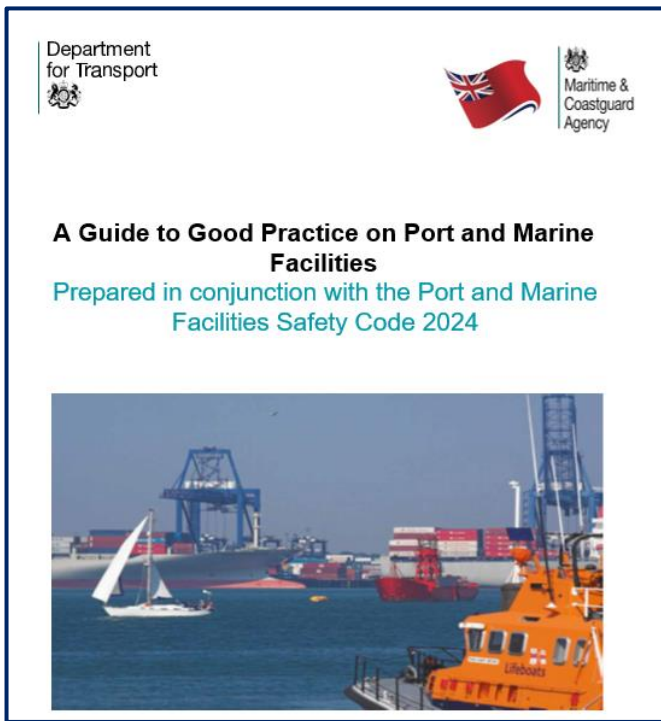
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# PMSC Guide to Good Practice Update

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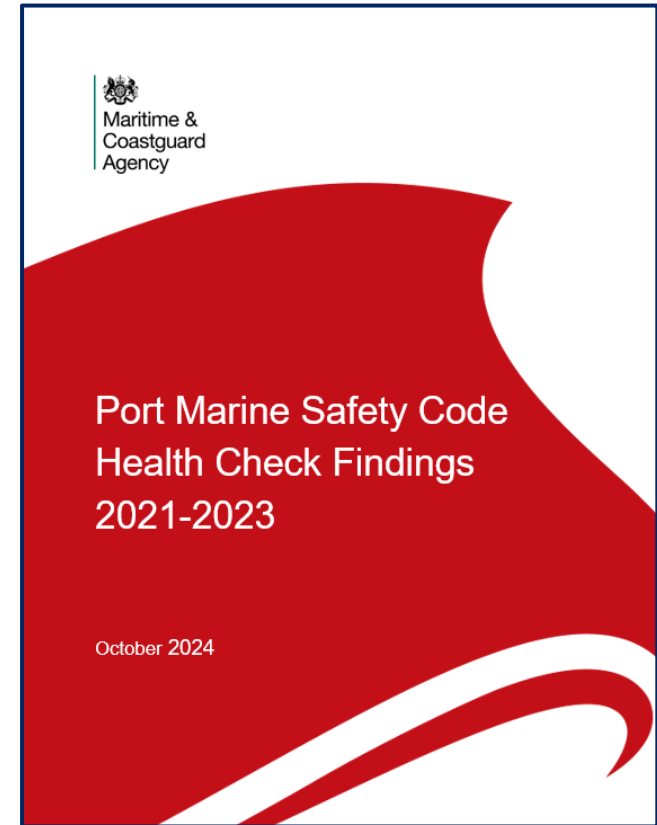
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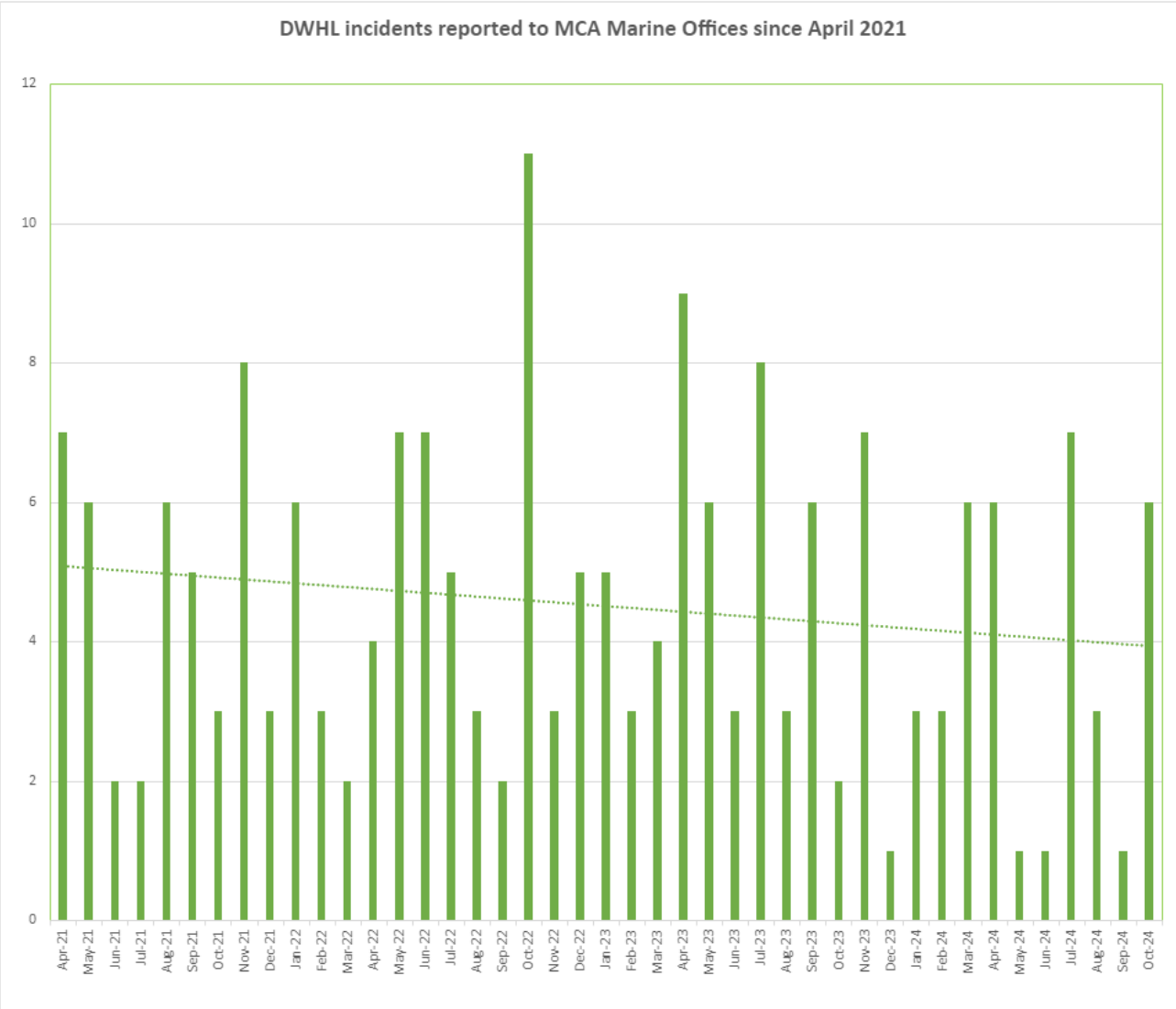
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# Health Checks

- 11 completed so far this year, with more planned for the remainder of 2024
- The 2021 – 2023 Health check trend report has been published and is available [here](#)
- No particular PMSC related themes or challenges emerged from the report
- However, where there are marine facilities within an SHA jurisdiction, the importance of SHA's and facilities engaging positively with one another to confirm PMSC compliance and ensure that Marine SMS's are in place was highlighted



# Dangerously Weighted Heaving Lines



## MAIB Port related Investigations:

[Safety Bulletin 2 of 2024](#) – Fatal injury to a recreational diver. The decompression system on this occasion meant that the diver was not low enough in the water and was subsequently hit by the recreational dive boat “*Karin*” and killed.

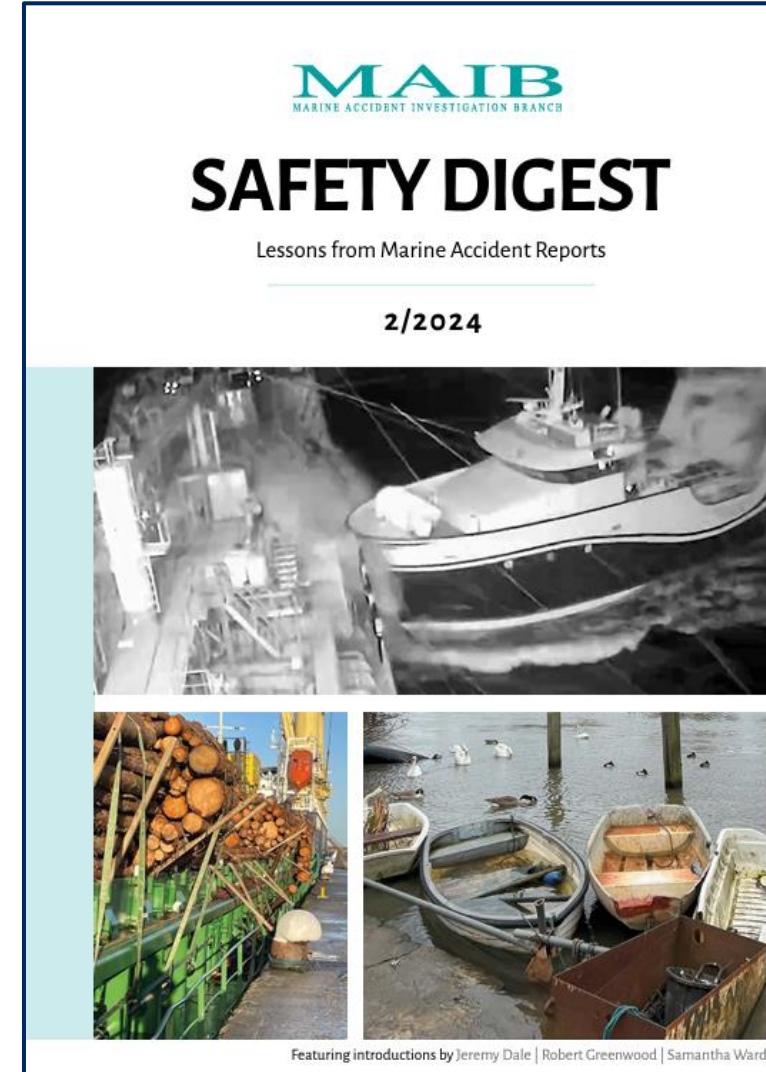
[Report](#) – Collision between the fishing vessel “*Kirkella*” (H7) and harbour tug “*Shovette*” – Transfer of engine control between bridge and engine room resulted in the vessel moving ahead and contacting the harbour tug, causing significant damage and pollution.

[Report](#) - Grounding of the roll-on/roll-off passenger ferry “*Alfred*” – Factors contributing to the incident included: Fatigue, PEC/ passage plan not thoroughly checked and VTS area oversight, as alarms were silenced for this vessel and ignored.

[Report](#) - Contact between the high-speed passenger craft “*Seadogz*” and a navigation buoy, leading to a fatality and multiple serious injuries. Risk assessments, near miss reporting were discussed as well as enforcement action.

[Interim Report](#) - Capsize and foundering of the UK registered tug “*Biter*” in the Firth of Clyde off Greenock, Scotland, resulting in 2 fatalities. The consultation stage is underway and lessons that may need to be highlighted in the PMSC guide to good practice will be discussed.

[Safety Digest 2/2024](#) – Issued on the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024



**Questions ?**

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