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OPERATIONAL SAFETY IN THE PORT ECOSYSTEM

DECK SAFETY COURSE - SHORE BASED STAFF



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Plymouth - Range of port activities

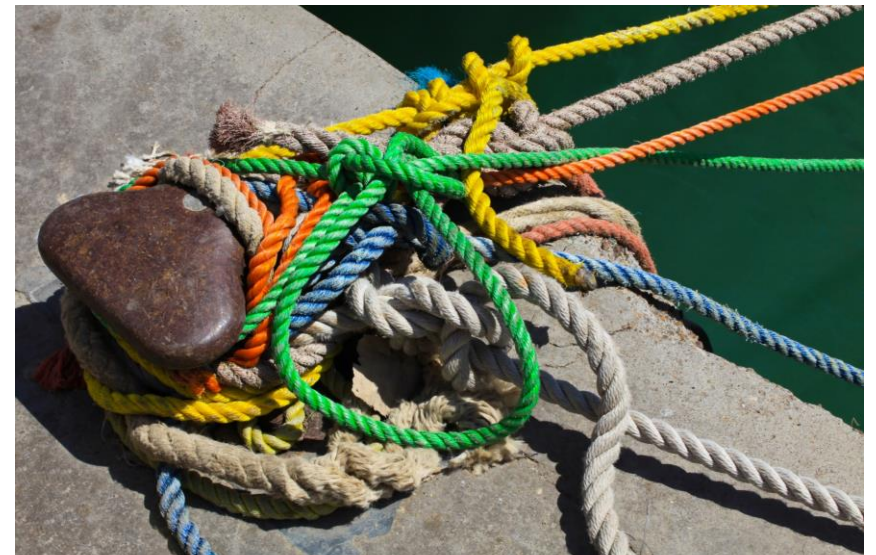
Western Maritime Training is based in Plymouth – with a wide range of companies and organisations who work on the water on different vessels.

- Naval Dockyard
- Submarines
- Cruise ships
- Ferry terminal
- Border Force base
- Commercial wharves
- Yacht marinas

Crew working on these different vessels have a wide range of qualifications and experience.

DECK SAFETY COURSE – SHORE BASED STAFF

- We were asked to provide training for a local maritime company, following a rope incident onboard a vessel which involved non-deck staff.
- The company were concerned that the consequences could have been worse than they actually were.



DECK SAFETY COURSE – SHORE BASED STAFF

Next steps

- Shore site visit
- Detailed discussions about their safety procedures
- Studied their Risk Assessments
- Spoke to the staff who would be going to sea about their concerns
- We designed a bespoke safety course for their shore based staff
- - Based on the company's own safety documentation.
- Opportunities for miscommunication and accidents exist on a daily basis.

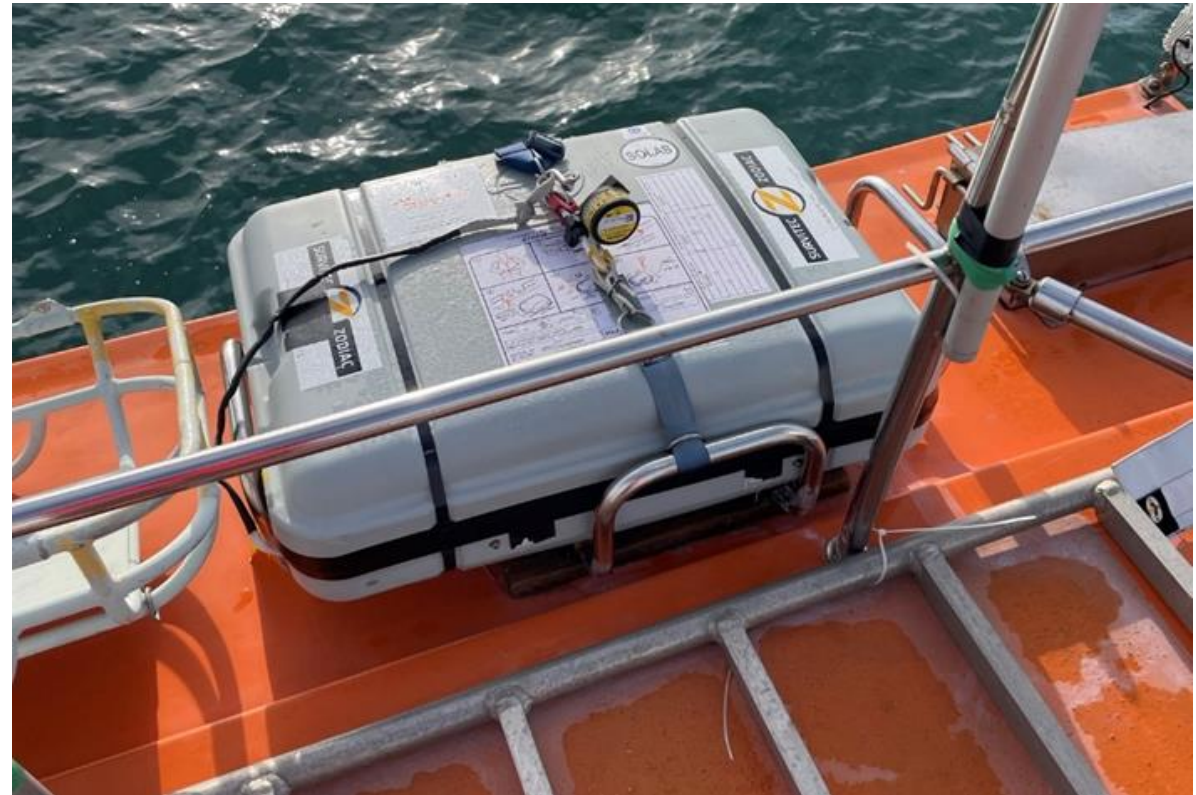
INITIAL COURSE TOPICS

- Are you wearing your PPE in the right way? Is your lifejacket crutch strap done up correctly?
- Where is it safe to stand on deck? What is a snap back zone?
- Has a crewmember gone through the vessel safety procedures with you?
- What does the company say should be done to ensure your safety in different situations?
- What is a bight in a rope and why is it a bad idea to stand in one?
- What do I do with all these different ropes?
- Why is there a different knot for different jobs?

Course content

These can include:

- Knots/Rope work
- Manual handling
- Sea survival basics
- Fire equipment use
- Radio use basics
- Danger areas, snap back zones.
- Safety drills
- Oil spill equipment



Students on the Deck Safety course.

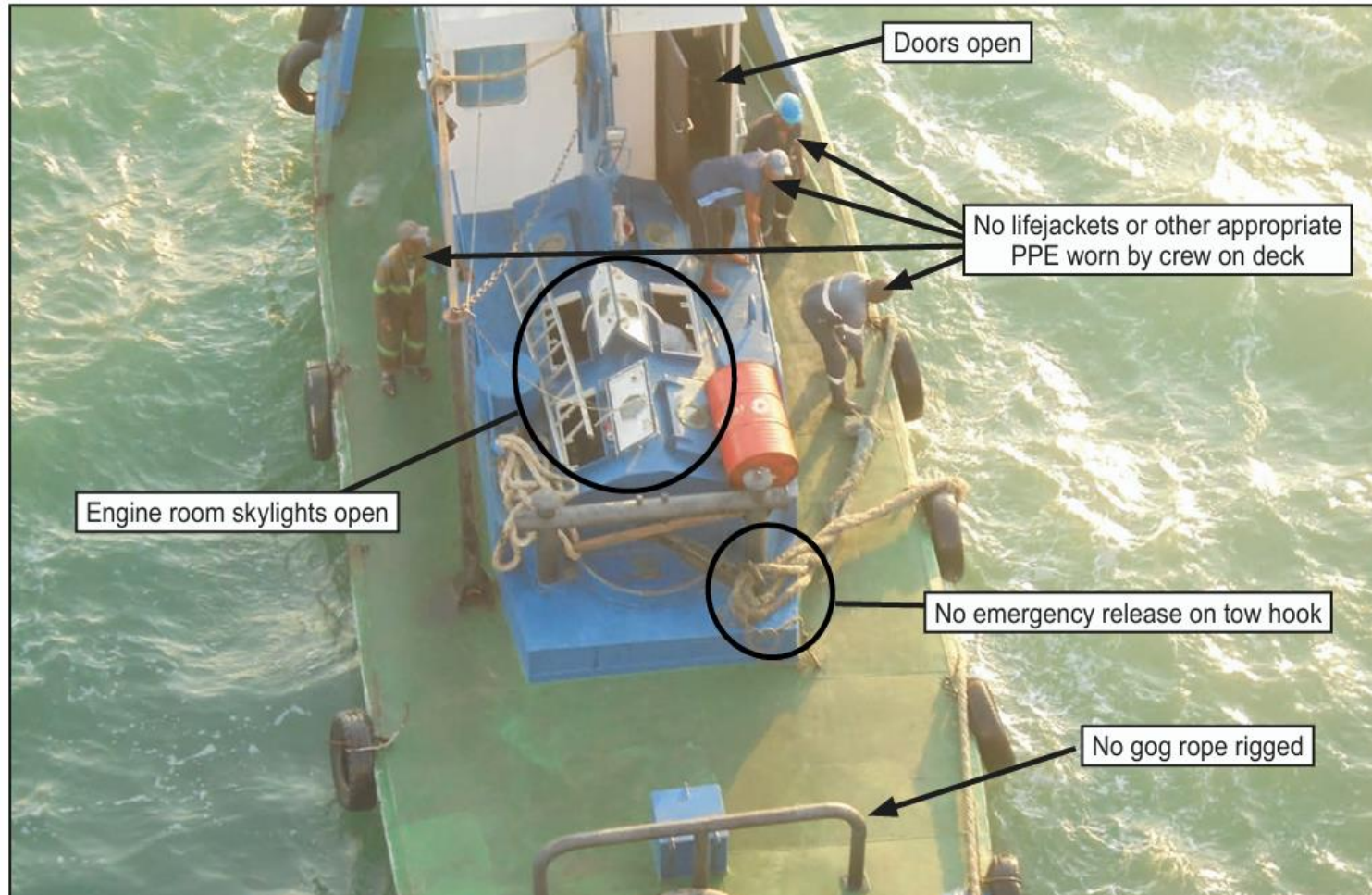


What?

- Mobile course carried out at your premises
- Based on your Company Risk Assessments and Procedures
- Tailored to your individual company and port needs
- Relevant to your vessels



Include relevant MAIB reports



Why?

- Practical illustration of a company's Duty of Care.
- Covers Continuous Professional Development (CPD)
- The course can be part of your SMS.
- Bespoke course for what you need in your company.
- Bringing in an external instructor is more effective as shore side personnel speak more freely about real issues.
- Students can relate immediately to the information.
- The issue is often one of complacency...

It won't happen to me