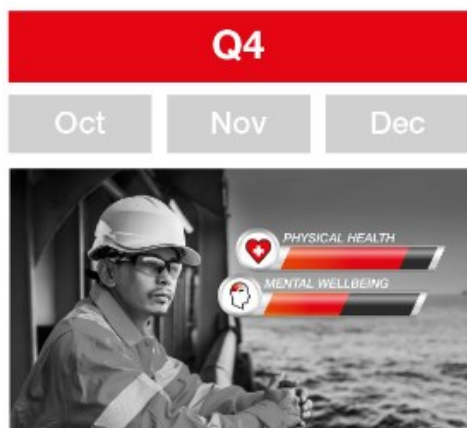




1. Quarterly Themes



Wellbeing and Work Environment

All available resources and links can be accessed from the [Wellbeing page](#) or accessed via the [Focal Point Resources](#) area.

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Featured Resources:



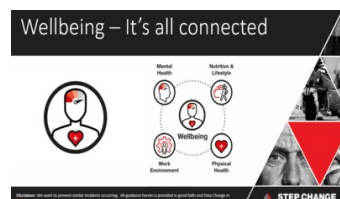
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[Info Sheet – Feeling Anxious?](#)



[Men's Health Presentation](#)



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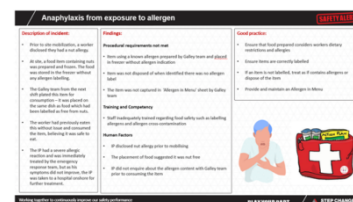
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2. Safety Alerts & Moments

Anaphylaxis from exposure to allergen

- Prior to site mobilisation, a worker disclosed they had a nut allergy.
- At site, a food item containing nuts was prepared and frozen....

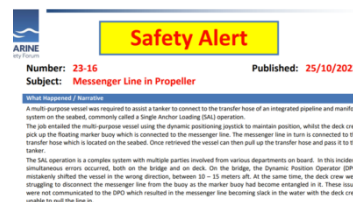
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MSF - Messenger Line in Propeller

A multi-purpose vessel was required to assist a tanker to connect to the transfer hose of an integrated pipeline and manifold system on the...

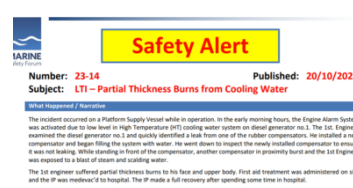
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MSF - LTI - Partial Thickness Burns from Cooling Water

The incident occurred on a Platform Supply Vessel while in operation. In the early morning hours, the Engine Alarm System was activated due...

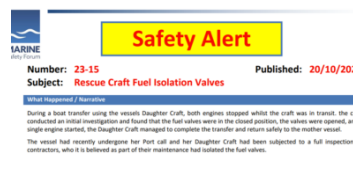
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MSF - Rescue Craft Fuel Isolation Valves

During a boat transfer using the vessels Daughter Craft, both engines stopped whilst the craft was in transit. the crew conducted an...

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Restricted Work Case – Finger Injury

Scaffold work activities were being carried out on an installation. The IP was in the process of constructing an outboard scaffold at the...

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IMCA - BSEE: Heat-related illnesses occurring offshore

The United States Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) published Safety Alert 467 relating to heat related illnesses...

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2. Safety Alerts & Moments

IMCA - Fire in the laundry room

A smoke detector was activated. A deck officer checked the origin of the alarm which was coming from an area close to the laundry room. A...

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IMCA – Uncertified bosun's chairs

A member conducting management visits to vessels discovered three separate cases where “Bosun’s Chairs” or similar support structures or...

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IMCA – Unprotected openings in floor grating – work stopped

Two workers removed grating panels at height on a horizontal lay system, in order to gain access to lift points for further removal of a...

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IMCA – Job stopped: safe working load limits exceeded

Work was stopped during the practical evaluation portion of rigger training in an onshore industry. It was discovered that the application...

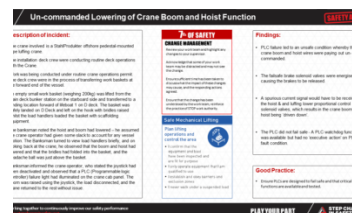
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Un-commanded Lowering of Crane Boom and Hoist Function

The crane involved is a StahlProdukt offshore pedestal-mounted rope luffing crane. The installation deck crew were conducting routine...

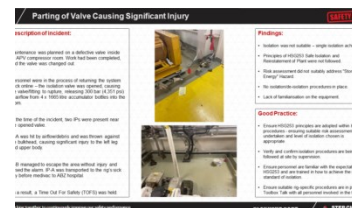
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Parting of Valve Causing Significant Injury

Maintenance was planned on a defective valve inside an APV compressor room. Work had been completed, and the valve was changed out....

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2. Safety Alerts & Moments

Hand tool Lithium batter fire in moonpool

Ongoing operation: Moving BOP by use of BOP transporter after work on BOP. After the BOP transporter was clear of the BOP, a small flame...

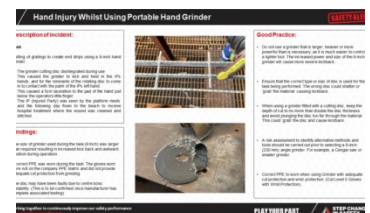
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Hand Injury Whilst Using Portable Hand Grinder

Task Cutting of gratings to create end strips using a 9-inch hand grinder. The grinder cutting disc disintegrated during use. This caused...

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IMCA - LTI – fingertip pinched by wire sling

A rigger suffered a serious injury when his finger got trapped between a sling and one of the forks on a fork-lift truck. The incident...

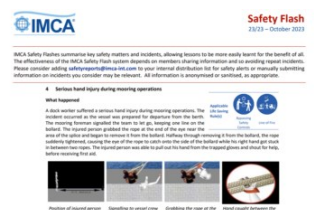
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IMCA – Serious hand injury during mooring operations

A dock worker suffered a serious hand injury during mooring operations. The incident occurred as the vessel was prepared for departure from...

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IMCA – LTI – worker fractured arm during mooring line handling

A mooring rope (weighing 2.9kg per metre) hit a crew person and caused a broken arm. The incident occurred as crew were preparing to unmoor...

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Rope access technician slipped and dislocated shoulder

A rope access technician sustained an injury to the right shoulder while accessing the vessel transom port-side platform, following...

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2. Safety Alerts & Moments

Unsafe flooring led to man overboard fatality

On a jackup rig in transit, a crew member was reported missing, believed to have gone overboard. The missing crew member finished their...

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**Safety Flash**

28/23 - October 2023

IMCA Safety Flashs summarise key safety matters and incidents, allowing lessons to be more easily learnt for the benefit of all. The effectiveness of the IMCA Safety Flash system depends on members sharing information and so avoiding repeat incidents. Please consider adding safetyreport@imca.int.com to your internal distribution list for safety alerts or manually submitting information on incidents you consider may be relevant. All information is anonymised or sanitised, as appropriate.

1. Unsafe flooring led to man overboard fatality

A fatality occurred in January 2023, on an offshore worksite, whereby a worker fell overboard because of a dislodged section of polymer grating, commonly used in the offshore industry. The incident did not occur on an IMCA member's facility.

What happened

On a jackup rig in transit, a crew member was reported missing, believed to have gone overboard. The missing crew member finished their shift at 18:00 and was last seen just after 19:00. During the investigation it was identified that a section of polymer grating outside an accommodation door, used to provide a means of access and egress, had become dislodged, thereby exposing employees to the hole in the decking area.

It is understood that the lost crew member must have fallen through this hole.

Further inspection by the UK Health and Safety Executive revealed that further multiple polymer grating systems had been installed similar to the one that was dislodged and were found to be unsafe. See also <https://www.hse.gov.uk/safetybulletins/floor-grating-systems.htm>



Search or submit your own learnings via the [Alerts and Moments](#) page.

SUBMIT AN ALERT

If you have seen an example of good practice or know of a safety incident the industry can learn from we want to hear from you. Your submission will be reviewed and anonymised before being published.

[Get Started](#)

3. Tea Shack News (TSN)



TSN aligns with our quarterly themes and the focus for Q4 is Wellbeing and Work Environment.

A new feature is an online safety quiz which can be done as an individual or as a team. Why not give it a try at your next safety meeting!

Feedback from Focal Points tells us that readers would like to see more personal articles about people who work in industry.

We need you to help us find people who are willing to write articles or be interviewed. Please contact gillian@stepchangeinsafety.net for more information or to submit ideas.

- Released Quarterly
- Electronic format (can be easily printed at site)
- Slides for canteens, receptions etc are also available to download from the [Focal Point Resource](#) area
- Distributed to Focal Points and registered users of website
- Available for download from [website](#) and [Focal Point Resource](#) area

Please distribute the electronic copy to all safety reps, OIMs, site leaders and networks and consider printing off a few copies for canteens, tea shacks and notice boards.





4. Events

All events can be viewed and booked via the [EVENTS](#) section of the website

**02****November**

Human Factors Forum

09:00–11:30
Annan House**14****November**

Wellbeing and Safety

14:00–16:30
Beach Ballroom**23****November**Step Change in Safety & OPITO -
Competence Management Forum09:30–15:00
OPITO**03****December**Step Change in Safety Annual
Quiz15:00–16:00
Online Event



5. Q4 Focal Point Engagement Session

Following on from Focal Point feedback, we look to approach the Q4 Engagement Session slightly differently – More engagement and discussion – less talking at you.

The Session will take place:

14th November @ Beach Ballroom 9:30 – 13:30

Agenda (subject to change):

- Meet Craig Wiggins – newly appointed Director
- What it takes to be a Focal Point (Includes Keynote speaker, Panel session and discussion around what further support / tools SCiS could provide)
- Quarterly Themes – Overview and feedback session
- An introduction to the Wellbeing group
- AOB
- Lunch and networking opportunity

Please confirm your attendance to this event by accepting the invitation that has been issued directly to you. If you have not received your invitation or have an item you would like to add to the agenda, please contact aimie@stepchangeinsafety.net.