



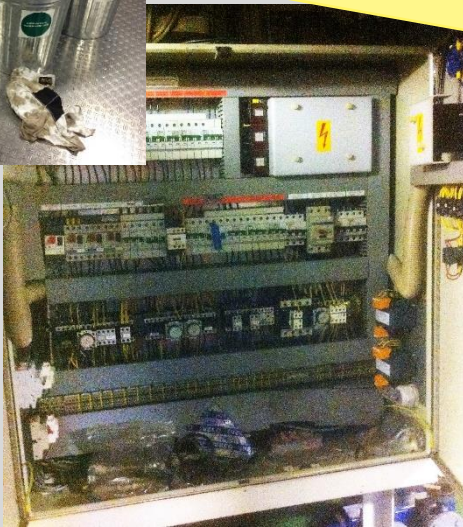
## SAFETY FLASH: FIRE IN ENGINE ROOM

### GOOD PRACTICE

- ✔ Good maintenance according to supplier requirements
- ✔ Electricity cupboards free from materials
- ✔ Heat sources like heaters are free from other materials
- ✔ The heating coil of heaters stay free from grease and oil
- ✔ Clear separation of lubricants and fuel filling points
- ✔ Storing used rags or cloths in closed steel bins/buckets
- ✔ Tidy and clean engine room
- ✔ Free shaft



An engine room fire is a frequent incidents in the barge industry, and can cause for severe consequences for the safety of barge and crew. Therefore make sure that the engine room is maintained and well kept.



### BAD PRACTICE

- ✘ Clutter, dirt and materials lying around
- ✘ No separation of lubricants and fuel filling points
- ✘ Used rags and cloths in a ball (spontaneous ignition)
- ✘ Disappeared insulation from exhaust (for example after repairs)
- ✘ Leakages (in fuel line)
- ✘ Fire extinguishers not ready for use

### ACTION QUESTIONS:

- What are the risks of used rags and cloths (with thinner, paint)? What is a suitable way to store the used rags and cloths?
- How are the lubricants and fuel filling points recognizable and how are they separated on board?
- How do we keep each other sharp on maintaining a clean and tidy workplace? How do we address each other on this matter?

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