

SAFETY FLASH: GENERAL MAINTENANCE

GOOD PRACTICE

- **Executing the periodic maintenance on time.**
- Using appropriate PPE.
- Using the appropriate tools (in case of working on deck on a tanker, only use explosion safe equipment).
- Informing any abnormalities to the captain.
- Using the Lock-out/Tag-out (LOTO) method.
- Using a permit-to-work when necessary.
- Having insight into the state of the maintenance (you can document your maintenance in a maintenance program).
- Executing the maintenance according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- Executing the maintenance by qualified personnel or a certified maintenance company.
- Informing co-workers when maintenance is taking place.
- Ventilating the space when painting in an enclosed space. Also storing paint cans and/or solvents in ventilated spaces.

Maintenance and inspections according to planning, contributes to the technical reliability of the barge.





- Using wrong or unsuitable tools (using tools for purposes that it is not made for).
- Expired warranties because of made adjustments.
- Maintenance by unqualified people.
- Not wearing PPE during maintenance.
- Not resolving identified deficiencies (immediately).

ACTION QUESTIONS:

- What tools are on board and are they appropriate for the maintenance activities?
- Which abnormalities do we come across during maintenance?
- What is the LOTO-method (Lock-out/Tag-out) and when do we use a permit-to-work?

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