
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Merchant Shipping (Diving Safety) Regulations 2002

Duties of master of craft

- 6.—(1) The master of a craft from which a diving project is, or will be, undertaken shall:
- (a) ensure, so far as reasonably practicable, that no operations or activities which might adversely affect the health and safety of any person engaged in the diving project are undertaken from or on the craft during the period of the diving project,
 - (b) take such measures as are reasonable to ensure that there is a safe place on board the craft from which the diving project may be undertaken,
 - (c) take such measures as are reasonable to ensure that the craft is positioned in a safe location for the duration of the diving project, bearing in mind the weather conditions, tides and condition of the sea-bed and, if using a dynamic positioning system, all other relevant factors,
 - (d) take such measures as are reasonable to ensure that all plant and equipment, other than diving plant and equipment, necessary for the safe conduct of the diving project are sufficient and available for that purpose,
 - (e) take such measures as are reasonable to ensure that the plant and equipment made available pursuant to sub-paragraph (d) above are maintained in a safe working condition, and
 - (f) before the diving project is commenced, and at appropriate intervals during it, consult the diving supervisor about the said project or activities and any other matters which may affect the safety of the diving project.
- (2) The master of a craft from which any diving project is to be undertaken who provides diving plant and equipment shall ensure that such plant and equipment are suitable for the safe conduct of the diving project and are maintained in a safe working condition.