

<b>Title</b>	<b>Describe and use safe deck practices on a commercial fishing vessel</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	<p>This unit standard is for people working in a commercial seafood operation.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to describe: the purpose of equipment and machinery, and the precautions to be taken on a commercial fishing vessel; the duties of a deckhand when a commercial fishing vessel is being prepared for sea, and for heavy weather; and the precautions a deckhand must take to ensure personal safety while on board. They are also able to use safe working practices for deck operations.</p>
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<b>Classification</b>	Seafood > Seafood Vessel Operations
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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### Guidance Information

- 1 All evidence presented in this unit standard must be in accordance with:
  - Workplace procedures;
  - Fisheries Act 1996;
  - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
  - Maritime Transport Act 1994; and any subsequent amendments.
  
- 2 Definitions
 

*Commercial fishing vessel* refers to a vessel that is operating a Maritime Operator Safety System (MOSS) that is recognised by Maritime New Zealand and meets the requirements of the Maritime Transport Operator Certificate and/or Plan.

*Workplace procedures* refer to the policies and procedures set out in a verbal or written form by the employer or organisation. Procedures must be consistent with current legislative requirements and manufacturer's recommendations or instructions where relevant.

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## Outcomes and performance criteria

### Outcome 1

Describe the purpose of equipment and machinery, and the precautions to be taken on a commercial fishing vessel.

Range may include but is not limited to - winches, windlasses, surge drums, derricks, blocks, gilson wire, fleeting wire, freeing ports, gantries, trawl gallows, trawl doors, net drums and side rollers including monofilament surface long line drums, line and trap haulers, sea anchors, hydraulic cranes, brailers, skiffs; evidence of six from the candidate's vessel is required.

### Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe the purpose of equipment and machinery on a modern fishing vessel.
- 1.2 Describe the safety precautions required when operating equipment and machinery.

### Outcome 2

Describe the duties of a deckhand when a commercial fishing vessel is being prepared for sea, and for heavy weather.

### Performance criteria

- 2.1 Describe the duties required for the stowing and securing of fishing gear.
- 2.2 Describe the duties required for the closing of hatches, vents and doors, and ensuring freeing ports are clear, in preparation for heavy weather.
- 2.3 Describe the duties required for the securing of gear in preparation for heavy weather.

### Outcome 3

Describe the precautions a deckhand must take to ensure personal safety.

### Performance criteria

- 3.1 Describe the protective clothing available to a deckhand, and the circumstances in which it must be used.
- 3.2 Describe the measures available to a deckhand to prevent falling or being swept overboard.
- 3.3 Describe the hazard areas on deck, the precautions required when working in those areas, and the procedures for reporting hazards.

- 3.4 Describe the actions required of a deckhand who is aware of a person overboard, in terms of the vessel's emergency procedures.

#### Outcome 4

Use safe working practices for deck operations.

#### Performance criteria

- 4.1 Use safe work practices in hazardous areas and situations on board the vessel.
- 4.2 Respond to supervisor commands in an appropriate and timely manner.
- 4.3 Wear protective clothing and associated safety equipment while working on board.
- 4.4 Carry out deck operations.

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#### Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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<b>Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference</b>	0123
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

#### Comments on this unit standard

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