

# FISHING VESSEL INSPECTION CHECKLIST



## WORKPLACE INSPECTIONS

- Procedures and schedules for regular inspections  
*s. 23(3)(e) of the OHS Act*

## INFORMATION POSTED OR IN BINDER

- OHS Act and Regulations  
*s. 45(a) of the OHS Act*
- Phone number for reporting health and safety concerns  
*s. 27(8)(b)(ii) of the OHS Act*

## TRAINING AND ORIENTATION

- Crew is aware of basic vessel operation, hazards, risks and controls  
*s.12(1) of the OHS Act*
- Crew is trained in use of emergency equipment and procedures  
*s.12(1) of the OHS Act*

## FIRST AID

- First aid training certificates are current and available  
*s. 9.6 of the General Regulations*
- First aid kits are of adequate size & well maintained  
*s. 9.11 & 9.12 of the General Regulations*

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- Head protection worn where hazard exists  
*s. 45.5 of the General Regulations*
- Foot protection worn where hazard exists  
*s. 45.15 of the General Regulations*
- Eye & face protection worn where hazard exists  
*s. 45.7 of the General Regulations*
- Hearing protection worn where hazard exists  
*s. 8.7(d) of the General Regulations*

## RISK OF DROWNING

- Personal flotation device to be worn on deck where there is a risk of drowning  
*s. 10(1) of the Fall Protection Regulations*
- Fall protection equipment where fall hazard exists (i.e. guardrails, life buoy, boat hook)  
*s. 2(1) & s. 10 of the Fall Protection Regulations*

## FIRE PROTECTION

- Extinguishers located for easy access and maintained in good condition  
*s. 25.4 of the General Regulations*

## HANDLING MATERIALS

- Lifting/moving fishing gear, equipment, catch and bait loads in a safe manner  
*s. 43.8(b) of the General Regulations*
- Hoist/hauler maintained in good condition  
*s. 34.5(1) & (2) of the General Regulations*

## EQUIPMENT

- All equipment in proper working condition (refer to manufacturer specs for inspection and maintenance requirements), including:
  - communication/navigation equipment
  - pumps: bilge, wash down, etc.
  - rescue equipment
  - Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB)*s. 12(1)(b) of the OHS Act*
- Vessel inspected and maintained in good condition  
*s. 12(1) of the OHS Act*
- Vessel is able to operate safely when loaded  
*s. 12(1)(a) of the OHS Act*

## MECHANICAL SAFETY

- Equipment is safeguarded to prevent entanglement  
*s. 30.2 of the General Regulations*
- Hot surfaces are shielded to prevent burns  
*s. 30.8 of the General Regulations*

## WORKING/WALKING SURFACES

- Passageways and work areas are clear of clutter and loose materials are secured  
*s. 5.1(p) & (u) of the General Regulations*
- Suitable footwear to be worn on slippery surfaces  
*s. 5.1(h) of the General Regulations*

## CHEMICAL SAFETY

- Product containers are properly labelled  
*s. 6(1) of the WHMIS Regulations*
- Crew trained in WHMIS and in proper use, storage, disposal and emergency procedures if hazardous products are present  
*s. 5(1) & (2) of the WHMIS Regulations*

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