



Accident, incident, and mishap notification

April 2020



What's in this summary

The following text summarises the notifications of accidents, incidents and mishaps that have been made to Maritime New Zealand in accordance with Section 31 of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 and which have been recorded in our database in the last month (1-30 April 2020).

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Medical Event

Inshore, Taranaki

Vessel information	
Type:	
Category:	Foreign SOLAS
Length (m):	>45
Tonnage (tons):	>500

After decompression therapy, a diver experienced symptoms associated with decompression illness.

Injury Only

At berth, Hawke's Bay

Vessel information	
Type:	Bulk carrier
Category:	Foreign SOLAS
Length (m):	>45
Tonnage (tons):	>500

Mooring linesman injured due to whiplash from mooring line when heaving them for the vessel.

Injury Only

At berth, Nelson

Vessel information	
Type:	Trawler
Category:	NZ Fishing (MOSS)
Length (m):	>45
Tonnage (tons):	>500

While unloading at a wharf the crane driver lifted a full pallet from the hold floor, as it was lifted the load started to swing aft so the crane driver lowered the load back down to stop the swing and centralize the load in the hatch, he was standing too close and his left foot became jammed underneath the pallet of frozen fish.

Lifting/Cargo gear failure

At berth, Bay of Plenty

Vessel information	
Type:	Container ship
Category:	Foreign SOLAS
Length (m):	>45
Tonnage (tons):	>500

Container fell from spreader during load operation landing in the vessel hold. The cause appears to be operator error with container not locked on adequately.

Equipment failure

At berth, Canterbury

Vessel information	
Type:	Vehicle carrier
Category:	Foreign SOLAS
Length (m):	>45
Tonnage (tons):	>500

Master informed pilot that bow thruster was inoperative. They suspected that the propellor may be fouled.

Lifting/Cargo gear failure

At berth, Auckland

Vessel information	
Type:	Bulk carrier
Category:	Foreign SOLAS
Length (m):	>45
Tonnage (tons):	>500

All cranes failed survey. The gangway was un safely rigged. Trip hazards ever where on the ship.

Injury Only

At berth, Auckland

Vessel information	
Type:	Bulk carrier
Category:	Foreign SOLAS
Length (m):	>45
Tonnage (tons):	>500

While moving wire on cross deck with crane, the wire hooked on obstruction and became tight, but this was not noticed, suddenly the wire released from the obstruction and hit bosun due to tension. After incident happened, owner and local agent informed.

Injury Only

At berth, Hawke's Bay

Vessel information	
Type:	Line fishing vessel
Category:	NZ Fishing (MOSS)
Length (m):	<24
Tonnage (tons):	<500

While attaching a new anchor wire to the anchor winch the wire became loose on the drum and caught crew's finger ripping the nail back exposing bare flesh.

Equipment failure

At berth, Auckland

Vessel information	
Type:	Oil Tanker
Category:	Foreign SOLAS
Length (m):	>45
Tonnage (tons):	>500

Pilot booked a time for the vessel to berth to take bunkers. Main engine tried out found main air reservoir tank was drop until low pressure. The pilot was contacted to delay boarding for berthing. On investigation, found main engine starting air rapture disk broken causing constant air leak, therefore the main air reservoir tank pressure dropped.

Chemical or harmful substance spill

Offshore, Chatham Islands

Vessel information	
Type:	Trawler
Category:	NZ Fishing (MOSS)
Length (m):	>45
Tonnage (tons):	>500

Ammonia was released into the factory level as a result of an ammonia pipe feeding the plate freezer being accidentally dislodged when the freezer plate scat (which was being moved) caught a proud tray and it moved sideways, dislodging the pipe.

Contact

At berth, Otago

Vessel information	
Type:	Other fishing vessel
Category:	NZ Fishing (MOSS)
Length (m):	<24
Tonnage (tons):	<500

Hit port harbour beacon leaving bay to go fishing. Damaged flashing light on the top.

Oil Spill

In harbour, Auckland

Vessel information	
Type:	Vehicle carrier
Category:	Foreign SOLAS
Length (m):	>45
Tonnage (tons):	>500

During departing, call received from E/R requesting to stop engine due to oil leakage.

Oil Spill

At berth, Wellington

Vessel information	
Type:	Research vessel
Category:	NZ Non-Passenger (ISM)
Length (m):	>45
Tonnage (tons):	>500

As a person was breaking out the crane from its stowed position a hydraulic hose that over time had chafed on a bracket wore through causing a small leak of hydraulic oil. Crane was placed across deck and leak contained and cleaned up. Hose was replaced with a spare and is now operational again.