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Managing the risk of falling

Where personnel are required to work near water and a risk of a fall is present appropriate edge protection **MUST** be installed.

Where edge protection is not suitable or practicable, a fall restraint and fall arrest system **MUST** be installed.

All areas where personnel are required to work around water are to be maintained to a high standard, ground conditions and work environments **MUST** be free of any trip hazards.

Dive equipment

All plant and equipment used in the diving operation **MUST** be documented in equipment registers.

All documentation used to facilitate the diving operation **MUST** also note the equipment used and reference to the equipment register.

All plant and equipment used for the dive operation **MUST** be of a type and capacity that is suitable for the dive operation.

All equipment used for the dive operation **MUST** be checked by the dive supervisor prior to use.

All divers **MUST** check their personal diving equipment before each dive to ensure that its operational integrity and efficiency is maintained.



Life jackets

Lifejackets **MUST**:

- be worn at all times when working on or near water where there is a risk of drowning
- be appropriate for the working conditions, the location and the type of clothing being worn
- be used, cared for, maintained, and serviced as required by the manufacturer.

All personnel **MUST** be trained in the correct use, inspection and care of the life jackets used.



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Dive personnel

All dive personnel **MUST** be suitably qualified and medically cleared prior to commencement of work. Evidence of qualification **MUST** be provided to Contact prior to any work be undertaken.

All dive operations **MUST** be overseen by a qualified dive supervisor.

At all times when divers are in the water, they **MUST** be monitored by a divers attendant.

A standby diver **MUST** be present while divers are in the water and **MUST** be able to respond as and when needed.

Emergency planning

Rescue equipment **MUST** be available which is appropriate for the type, location and scale of work that is being undertaken.

The unique risk of the work **MUST** be identified and considered in regard to the emergency plan.

Oxygen resuscitation equipment **MUST** be available at the dive site and ready for immediate use if required.

Emergency planning **MUST** consider the need for emergency recompression chamber support, the location of the closest facility should be noted.

Dive planning

All documentation that relates to the dive **MUST** be maintained on the dive site at all times.

Prior to the dive operation being undertaken, a comprehensive risk assessment of the work, the site and the requirements of the dive **MUST** be undertaken.

All dive plans **MUST** be approved prior to any work being undertaken.

Any vessels used to the dive work **MUST** be certified to the relevant maritime standard.

