



DW-GoM Start Work Checks: Working Near Water

When to Complete – Before the start of any WORKING NEAR WATER activities

All exposed person(s) performing work are to confirm each safeguard below.	How to examples:	Work Performer	Start-Work Verifier
I HAVE CONFIRMED:		Initial	Initial
1 The hazards have been identified and controlled, and it is safe to start	- A task risk assessment specific to the scope of work was completed - The hazards were discussed with the works prior to the start of work - Check for simultaneous operations that may introduce additional hazards - Controls/safeguards for working close to an unprotected edge near water have been considered - fall protection equipment (e.g., safety lines, travel restraints, fall arrest) - temporary edge protection (e.g., chains, wire ropes)		
2 Exclusion/restricted zones are identified to notify workers of unguarded edges	- Exclusion/restricted zones are identified (e.g., signage, tape, rope and/or yellow lines) - Authorized access to exclusion/restricted zones is controlled (e.g., attendant, or temporary physical barriers)		
3 Workers are wearing Personal Flotation Devices	- Each PFD being worn is: - Approved, certified, maintained, fit for the task and user - Each PFD has been inspected (e.g., damage, waterlogging, leaks, inflator indicator status)		
4 Walking surfaces are in good condition	- Trip and slip hazards are controlled: - High visibility markings, non-slip footwear, clear of oil and chemicals, lightening in place where needed		
5 A communication plan is in place and responsibilities agreed	- Communication methods(s), primary and secondary (e.g., radio, loudspeakers, hand signals) have been tested - The person in charge has been identified per the plan or procedure - The workers(s) have agreed to their individual roles and responsibilities		
6 The rescue plan is in place and is ready to be used	- The rescue plan has been discussed, including: - How to start the rescue response for person(s) in water - Location of rescue equipment (i.e., pole hooks, life rings) - The rescue crew is available and can execute the rescue plan (i.e., considered weather and sea conditions) - Escape routes are unobstructed		
If accessing the Lower Access Level, also complete the following two questions, have OIM/PIC sign, and store with Permit.			
7 Buddy System is established per OPS0033 Section 2.1.3	The contact must remain face to face on the same level for the entire duration; no one is left alone Discussed plans to access the level, tasks to be performed, and approximate duration on the level		
8 Weather and sea conditions are safe for access	- Per HSE0136A-PR01 - Ring Buoy with 60' (minimum) of rope available		
Confirm these controls/safeguards are in place and verified prior to starting work. Stop and seek help if anything changes.			

OIM/PIC Name:	OIM/PIC Signature:	Date:
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