

D06 Handle and stow the catch

SUMMARY

What this standard is about

This standard covers the competence required to deal with the catch including removing the catch from the fishing gear, storing, preparing and stowing the catch. It also covers the application of care of the catch quality procedures.

Who this standard is for

This standard applies to individuals at the support level with the responsibility for handling and stowing catch.

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OUTCOMES OF EFFECTIVE PERFORMANCE

You must be able to do the following:

- 1 Organise, and set-up catch receiving areas and equipment to maintain quality and hygiene standards
- 2 Remove the catch from the fishing gear in a manner which maintains its quality in co-operation with others
- 3 Recognise, sort and discard unmarketable and undersized species of fish
- 4 Select and prepare fish for stowage to meet market requirements
- 5 Maintain high standards of personal hygiene
- 6 Clean and prepare stowage areas and equipment
- 7 Stow the catch to maintain quality and appearance in accordance with the Skipper's requirements
- 8 Maintain accurate catch records
- 9 Ensure the secure storage of the equipment
- 10 Clean catch receiving and handling areas and equipment to maintain quality and hygiene standards
- 11 Use effective safe and hygienic working practices

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KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING

You need to know and understand the following:

- a) Different types of catch handling equipment and its application
- b) Different types of catch containment and stowage devices
- c) Identification of main fish and shellfish species
- d) Care of the catch principles and the recommended procedures to maximise catch quality
- e) Spoilage in fish and spoilage prevention
- f) Catch removal procedures for different fishing methods
- g) Techniques for gutting and cleaning
- h) Storage of different catch types and species
- i) Individual roles within a team during the catch handling process
- j) Consequences of poor catch handling
- k) Market requirements for different fish species
- l) Basic vessel stability in relation to stowage
- m) Safe working practices and safety precautions to be observed during heavy weather
- n) Fish landing sizes and size recognition
- o) Hygiene standards and procedures
- p) Types of cleaning materials, their uses and dangers
- q) The importance of effective cleaning
- r) Statutory regulations and guidelines, organisational instructions and guidance and vessel contingency plans.