

Task Risk Control Sheet

Working Over or Near Water

RCS No: NR/L3/MTC/RCS0216/GA10
Issue: 2

Key Risks !

- Drowning
- Falling from Height
- Bio Hazard

Personnel Involved

E&P	✓
S&T	✓
Track	✓
Off Track	✓
Property	✓

Tools / Equipment

Safety Boat

Life Jackets

Plant

None

Key Risks	Controls	Implemented By
Drowning Falling from Height	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All work shall be planned in advance and a pre-work briefing performed detailing the risks of working over or adjacent to water • A safety boat shall be available and equipped with sufficient rescue and buoyancy equipment – The boat shall be manned at all times by a competent person trained in the use of the rescue equipment when work is taking place 	Line Manager / Planner
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety barriers or platforms shall be provided where possible to prevent falls into water – Safety harness shall be used where safety barriers or platforms cannot be fixed • A means of raising alarm for someone who has fallen into water shall be available and tested prior to each shift • Grab or throw lines shall be provided where necessary and staff briefed on their use • Emergency and First Aid arrangements shall be available • Life jackets / buoyancy aids shall be available and worn where necessary, as detailed below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ For use in sheltered waters when help is at hand and the user is a confident swimmer and where more bulky or more buoyant devices would impair the users activity of endanger them a BS EN 393 1994 Buoyancy aids 50n shall be used ➢ For use in sheltered waters when normal clothing is worn and the wearer remains capable of helping themselves a BS EN 395:1994 lifejacket 100n shall be used ➢ For use in tidal waters or when foul weather clothing is being used, and where the wearer may not be capable of helping themselves due to injury or exhaustion (or there may be a possible delay in rescue) a BS EN 396: 1994 Lifejacket 150N shall be used ➢ For use in tidal waters in extreme conditions, where heavy protective clothing is being worn or tool belts are being worn a BS EN 399: 1994 Lifejacket 275N shall be used 	All Staff / COSS / Team Leader
Bio Hazards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See See Risk Control Sheet NR/L3/MTC/RCS0216/GH03 – Biological and Chemical Hazards • Hygiene awareness – wash hands prior to eating drinking and smoking • Test stagnant water 	All Staff

Also see Risk Control Sheet NR/L3/MTC/RCS0216/GH04 for Working at Height

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PPE Required by NR / Maintenance Policy



Wear Head Protection



Wear Foot Protection



Wear Hi Visibility Clothing



Wear Safety glasses to BS EN166.F

If safety glasses introduce a risk (ie weather conditions) then the Team Leader shall assess the risk. The outcome of the assessment shall be recorded on the SSOWPS pack and safety glasses may be removed.
This does not supersede the requirements for eye protection detailed on relevant Task Risk Control Sheets.

Additional PPE Required by Task Risk Control Sheet



Life Jackets Shall be Worn



Wear Safety Harness

