

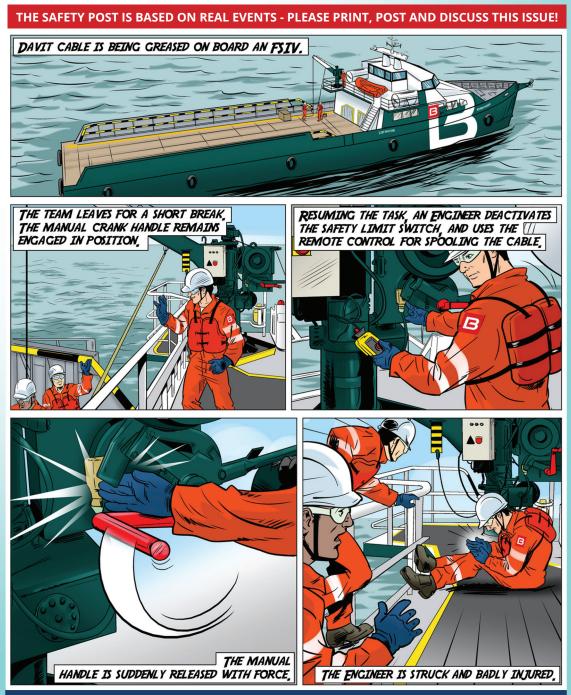


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This month's Safety Post reflects on what can happen when risk is not correctly assessed. The task was considered routine, but involved activities with risk to people performing the task. Nobody considered what could go wrong. A major safety hazard was not identified. For your safety and the safety of others, consider the risks in every task, then communicate and control them.



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DO:

- Ensure tasks are planned and communicated with those involved.
- Use only the Generic-JSA applicable to the task. Ensure it suitably identifies and controls the general risks associated with the task.
- Consider hazards that are specific to the task at the time and not included in the Generic-JSA.
 Communicate and control them.
- Always apply the **4C** methodology: **Consider**, **Communicate** and **Control** the risk, then **Complete** the task safely.

DON'T:

- Start a task without prior risk assessment and authorization.
- Underestimate the potential risk in any task.
- Hesitate to ask questions if you are not sure about any stage of task safety planning.
- Use generic assessments not corresponding to the task.