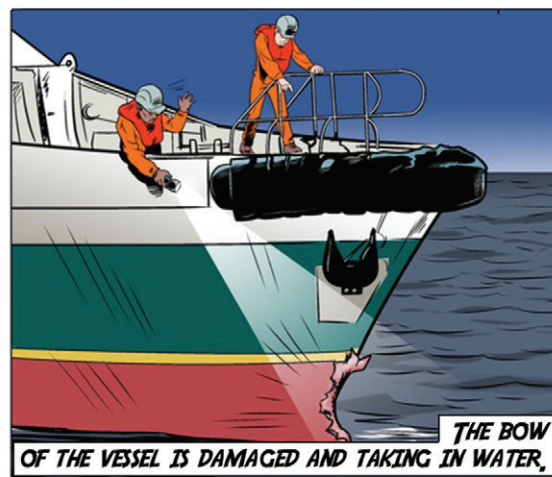
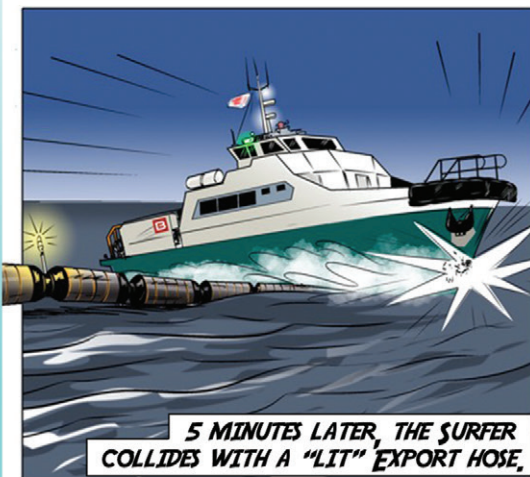
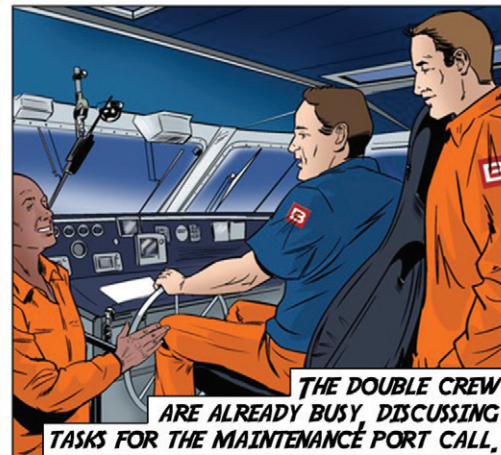
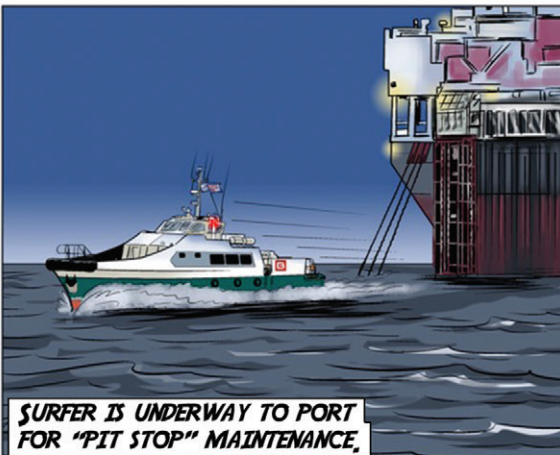


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After decades of maritime services in the offshore industry, we often consider that navigational competence - having been acquired over many years - is constant. However, even with the latest navigational aids and equipment, we still encounter periodic navigational incidents. This Safety Post aims to illustrate an obvious navigational hazard our crew did not take into account, and also the hazards of complacency and distraction. Never forget that constant attention, careful planning and good seamanship are key ingredients to ensure safe navigation. It is always easier and preferable to explain a delay than an accident...

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DO:

- Always prepare, check and challenge your passage plan before starting any voyage.
- Assign and manage the bridge team to ensure a sufficient lookout, but also to avoid distractions.
- Know your surroundings and where hazards are located, particularly in busy oilfields.
- Prefer to lose a few minutes in transit, instead of being responsible for an accident.

DON'T:

- Neglect navigational charts, Notice to Mariners and information provided by clients and hydrographic administrations
- Short cut or bypass navigational procedures or best practices.
- Permit distractions or disturbances to the navigational watch.
- Sail in the vicinity of hazards when it is possible to clearly avoid them.