



SAFE BY DESIGN

See the hazard
Assess the risk
Fix the problem
Evaluate the fix

FISHING GEAR



RECENT EVENTS

- Crew member lost two fingers when their hand was trapped between a weighted cray pot rope and block.
- Crew member dragged overboard when entangled in trap line.
- Crew member seriously injured when attempting to recover fishing gear trapped on an underwater obstruction.

DO SAFE

- Controls must be in good working order and protected from being snagged or knocked.
- Communication between the deck and wheelhouse must be clear - the use of hand signals is recommended.
- Guards should be fitted in all places where vessel personnel could make contact with, or be struck by moving parts.
- Crew should be fully trained on the equipment they are using and regular risk assessments should be carried out.



THINK SAFE

- Are all potential hazards identified?
- Visibility - can the person controlling the net drum see the crew handling the nets?
- Are crew aware of the potential paths of moving equipment and lines?
- Are emergency stop switches accessible and working?

