

# THE KEY INGREDIENTS OF SAFETY

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## Effective communication is key

Welcome to our latest newsletter, which once again is full of real-life reports submitted by seafarers and companies like you. These help us to raise awareness of key human factors critical for safety in the maritime industry, and we humbly thank you for your reports. Please keep them coming!

Regular readers will recognise many of the factors that are highlighted in this edition because they frequently feature in the reports that we receive. As ever, effective communication tops our list. Whether it's swiftly alerting the Bridge to a galley fire or ensuring clear and unambiguous instructions for ferry passenger evacuation drills, communication is critical to safety.

Teamwork is another common feature, and our reports demonstrate that when crewmembers work together effectively, accidents can be averted or mitigated. Encouraging a shared approach to

safety not only contributes to stronger teams, it can enhance well-being and reduces risks too! Situational awareness (being alert to your surroundings) are also crucial to proactive incident prevention, as demonstrated in our reports related to dry-dock operations as well as gangway usage. The importance of good equipment design once again features in several of our reports, particularly the ease of inspection and maintenance. Even newly-built vessels can suffer from this!

This will be the final Maritime FEEDBACK edition for 2023. We will shortly be publishing our Annual Digest, containing all of the reports we've published this year, in case you missed any of our back-copies. Don't forget that you can access all of our reports on our website and on our app, and you can also subscribe to get them delivered to your email in-box too!

Until the next edition in 2024, stay safe!

Yours,

The CHIRP Maritime team.



