

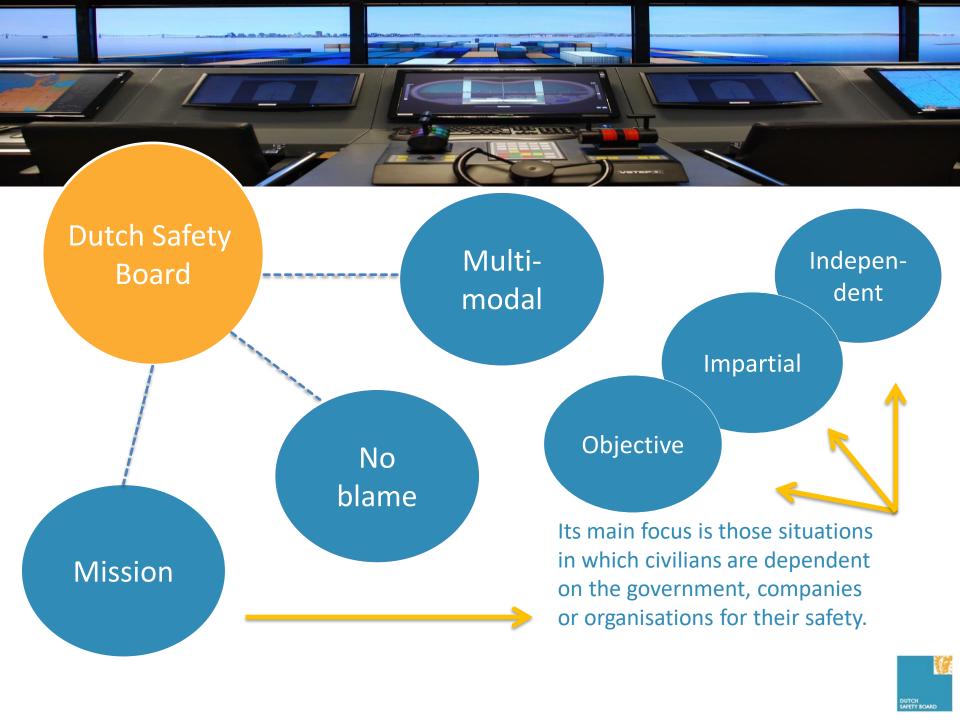
Accident Investigation

When does it improve safety and quality?

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Maritime obligation (IMO, EU)

Very serious casualty

Loss of life



Total loss of the ship

IMO Clasicaty in the stocking (Resolution PMSC 295(84)) (Marine casualty or incident)

PART 1 General Provisions

Chapter 1 Para 1.2
Serious Casualty
A Marine Sajety Investigation should be separate from, and independent of, any other form of investigation

weather, hull cracking resulting in:

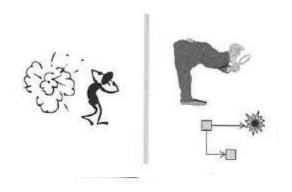


Structural damage (unseaworthy)

Pollution (any quantity)



What is the main cause of accidents? Human error...



"The point of an investigation is not to find where people went wrong – it is to understand why their assessments and actions made sense at the time" (Sydney Dekker 2002)

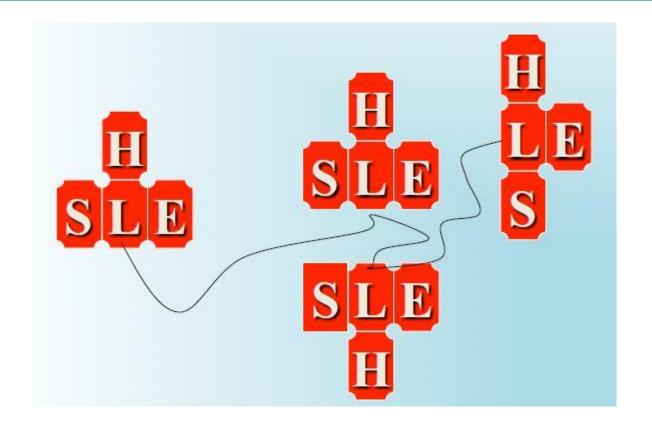
Gathering information



- √S Software
- √ H Hardware
- **✓E Environment**
- ✓ L Liveware



Gathering information



Now you can start to understand the "circumstances", that possibly have influenced the central person.



Analysis

What does analysis actually mean?

Van Dale:

the separating of any material or abstract entity into its constituent elements.

... A systematic approach to solving a problem. Complex issues are made simpler by dividing them into more understandable elements.



Analysis

What? Chronology

Identify all casualty and accident events

Human Factors

Methods (Step, Tripod, Bowtie, HFACS etc)

5 times "Why"

To determine safety issues and deficiencies



5 times "Why"

Why?	Emergency proc's Training Policy Maintenance policy Manag't / Organizational Factors Safety Manag't Equipment design Poor maintenance Recruitment Policy Scheduling Regulations Spares policy VTS Practices Safety Policy Safety Policy Safety Policy Safety Policy Communications Heat
Why?	Supervision Noise Poor maintenance Familiarisation Training Communications Heat Safety Manag't Drills Health Use of Tugs BRM Food Navigational Manag't. Culture Weather routing
Why?	Lapse Flanning error Error in intention Chemical Experience reaction Omission Oxygenation Human Error and Other Failure Mechanisms Observation error Error in action Interpretation error Interpretation error Wear Slip
Why/How?	Human error Pipe failure Monitoring failure Position error Accident Events Environmental effect Equipment Failure Human error Human error Human error Human error Hazardous Material effect
	Structural failure Capsize Fatality
What?	Casualty Events Fire Grounding Flooding Loss of control



Reporting

- Determine your audience
- A report does not have to be long
- Make a distinction between "need to know/nice to know"
- Try to avoid (technical) jargon and make a list of symbols
- Describe facts without premature analysis
- Describe your analysis (maybe also the theories that didn't work)
- Let the reader draw their own conclusions before they finish the report

And remember, how thorough your investigation might have been, the message stands (or falls) with the quality of your report!



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International Standard for maritime Pilot Organizations



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1.2 Scope

- 1.2.1 The objectives of the ISPO are:
 - to ensure that the activities of the maritime pilot organization are administered, so as to provide a quality service with due regard to the safety of human life and the avoidance of damage to environment and property;
 - · to encompass existing good practice and
 - to provide a recognizable system for international application that can be audited.

Severity	People	Hardware	Pollution	Reputation	Never heard of in company	Incident has occurred in the company	Happens several times per year in the company
0	No injury	No damage	No environmental effect	No Damage			
1	First aid treatment	Damage < € 50.000,-	Slight environmental effect (< 10I)	Slight damage Customer complaint	Level 1		
2	Lost time incident	Damage > € 50.000,- < €100.000,-	Minor environmental effect (< 100l)	Minor damage Local press		Level 2	
3	Hospitalised	Damage > € 100.000,- < € 250.000,-	Local environmental effect (> 1m²)	National Press			
4	Fatality	Damage > € 250.000,-	Massive environmental effect	Severe damage International Press			Level 3

The matrix distinguishes three investigation levels:

- · Level 1: Minor No further investigation required
- · Level 2: Significant Investigation by the DP or manager
- Level 3: Critical Investigation Team





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