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Notice due to the recommendation you issued in report S-42/18 regarding a personal injury involving a dockworker on board the vessel Declan Duff/9476525/HPZH on 16 March 2018 in Oxelösund Port

The Swedish Work Environment Authority supervises regulatory compliance within the work environment area. During inspection, we check how employers act to prevent and detect risky behaviour in violation of current regulations and instructions.

For inspections of dock work, and considering the results of your investigation, the following items are examples of what we verify:

1. that the employer has identified applicable *work environment regulations* for the activities being conducted
2. that the *coordination responsibility* has been clarified at the joint workplace
3. that procedures for *examination* and *risk assessment* are applied during unloading of vessels
4. that a special risk assessment is carried out regarding the presence of *chemical risks*, such as carbon monoxide and oxygen-displacing substances in cargo holds
5. that concerned labourers have *knowledge* about the risks entailed by dock work.
6. that *written instructions are produced* in response to the results of the risk assessment
7. that *compliance with issued instructions* is regularly followed up
8. that equipment for *rescue measures* which must be taken immediately is established in the workplace.

The Swedish Work Environment Authority will inform our dock work inspectors of the conclusions drawn in the Swedish Accident Investigation Authority's report S-42/18 regarding a personal injury involving a dock worker. We will also be informing the inspectors of the importance of the review items 1–8 above in the inspection of port operations.

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