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| Overview | This standard covers the competence of recovering and transferring a casualty in a marine environment. It includes assessing the condition of the casualty and determining a recovery plan, giving consideration to the hazards to the vessel and the casualty.  **Target Group**  This standard applies to individuals at the operational level with responsibility for recovering and transferring casualties in a marine environment, which includes operations in inland and coastal waters. |

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| **Performance criteria**  You must be able to: | 1. identify the casualty, and their location and condition as fully as possible from the information available 2. assess the condition of the casualty and determine a recovery plan, giving consideration to the hazards faced by your vessel and by the casualty 3. brief all of those involved clearly and accurately 4. prepare correctly any equipment to be used in the recovery 5. identify and address any faults in the equipment promptly and correctly 6. take all relevant steps to minimise any hazards to your crew, vessel and the casualty 7. implement the agreed recovery plan correctly, deploying any rescue equipment safely and properly 8. secure the casualty for safe transport 9. review the casualty and make an accurate assessment of their condition 10. alert relevant agencies of the casualty's condition, providing all necessary information clearly and accurately 11. prepare your vessel correctly for transfer operations and brief those involved 12. assist emergency service personnel to transfer the casualty safely, responding correctly and promptly to questions and instructions 13. use language that is concise, accurate and unambiguous 14. recover, stow and secure any rescue equipment used safely and correctly |

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| Knowledge and understanding  You need to know and understand: | 1. the types of incident that may occur requiring search and rescue operations 2. sources and procedures for confirming the identify of a casualty and the nature of any injuries 3. different types of recovery plan and the circumstances when these might be used and why 4. the factors to take into account when recovering casualties, and when preparing to deploy relevant rescue equipment, including the weather conditions and the condition of the casualty 5. the various parts of relevant rescue equipment and their purpose 6. safe working practices in the deployment, use and recovery of relevant rescue equipment 7. types of hazard that need to be considered when recovering casualties, including hazards affecting the vessel, crew, the casualty and the deployment of relevant rescue equipment, and methods of minimising the different hazards 8. methods for assessing the condition of casualties when they have been recovered 9. methods for securing casualties in order to ensure their safe transportation 10. the different agencies to which casualties can be transferred, and which are appropriate to different situations 11. safe working practices and procedures when transferring casualties from your vessel to another agency 12. the information required by other agencies when transferring casualties, and how to provide this 13. the factors to take into account when transferring casualties, including the weather conditions and the condition of the casualty 14. potential hazards that might occur when transferring casualties from your vessel, including those that might arise during transfers at night, and the actions appropriate to minimising or eliminating associated risks |

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