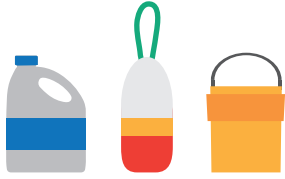


HAZARD SHEET



CLEANING BUOYS FOR THE CRAB POT LINE

TASK

Buoys are an important part of the line. Both before the season starts and during the season, the buoys need to be cleaned of algae growing on them.

POTENTIAL HAZARD

Some chemicals or methods to clean the buoys may irritate or burn fishermen's skin on their hands or forearms.



What can you do to reduce your risk to this hazard?

INJURY PREVENTION

When you think about what you can do, think about the most effective way to reduce your risk **AND** to get the buoys clean.



ELIMINATION: The most effective solution is to eliminate the hazard. If you are using chemicals that can damage skin, are they needed? If you can eliminate the use of chemicals, the hazard does not exist.



SUBSTITUTION: The next most effective solution is substituting something less hazardous. If you cannot eliminate the use of chemicals, can you use a chemical that still cleans the buoy but is less toxic to you?



PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT: Last but not least, if you cannot eliminate or substitute the chemical or change the way you clean buoys, wear proper gloves or protective gear to prevent contact with the chemical.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Identify your **SAFE** way to clean buoys, considering any potential hazards.
Have the appropriate materials (cleaning solution, gloves) available to use.
Train your crew to always use your **SAFE** way.



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A hazard assessment helps you determine what tasks you are doing that may be hazardous and how to come up with ways to decrease your risk through eliminating the hazard, making substitutions or using protective equipment. What is a task that you do on your fishing boat that seems hazardous?

TASK

Describe a specific work task.

POTENTIAL HAZARD

Write in physical, chemical, environmental and other hazards.

What can you do to reduce your risk to this hazard?

INJURY PREVENTION

Brainstorm ideas to stay safe below.

Consider the most effective way to reduce your risk **AND** to complete the task.

ELIMINATION

How can you eliminate the hazard?

SUBSTITUTION

What can you substitute for the hazard?

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Is there PPE you could use?

WHAT CAN YOU DO?



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