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No alcohol, no drugs



When you are feeling hungover and tired you are less alert to your surroundings.

Dear all,

G2 Ocean is committed to providing a safe and healthy work environment for all personnel involved in our operations. The purpose of our Safety Bulletins is to raise awareness of health & safety risks associated with cargo operations.

G2 Ocean works with several hundred stevedore companies worldwide. We believe that by seeking and sharing insights across company and country boundaries, we can prevent future incidents together. Descriptions of incidents will always be fully anonymised.

This edition is about working under the influence of drugs & alcohol. We do not have evidence that this has caused any recent incidents on our vessels, but we know that for example driving cars under the influence is way too common in many countries. It is an issue for the whole of society, including our industry. If you have any feedback, please email us at: safety@g2ocean.com

Best regards G2 Ocean Team

Why it matters

There is no evidence to suggest that use of drugs and alcohol is more common among stevedores and vessel crew, compared to people working in other professions.

The difference is the work environment. Working under the influence of drugs or alcohol within the safety of an office will have an impact of that person's effectiveness, but he or she is still reasonably safe.

Even low levels of blood alcohol content will affect your balance and control of your body, and your mental ability to focus on tasks. On the quayside or onboard a vessel, you need to be fully alert to stay safe.



This is not a safe environment if your senses are impacted by drugs or alcohol.

NO ALCOHOL, NO DRUGS

Never work under the influence of drugs or alcohol.



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Intervention is one of G2 Ocean’s safety behaviours. We expect this behaviour from our own employees and everyone we work with, including crew and stevedores. Take action if you think that one of your colleagues are working under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Consequences:

- Your risk appetite increases when you are under influence, that’s how the human brain works. We can recognize this from how intoxicated people talk more freely and take more chances.
- *Lack of awareness* is often cited as a root cause of safety incidents. It is reasonable to assume that in some cases, the alertness levels of people involved may have been impacted by drugs or alcohol.

Lesson learned:

- Never work under the influence of drugs or alcohol. It’s a Life-Saving Rule!
- Seek help if you think that your own habits are affecting your life in a negative way.
- Encourage your colleagues to seek help, if you think they are struggling with an addiction.