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| **MSA Unit 135** | | | **QCF Ref: XXXXX** |
| Title: | **Control Oil Cargo Operations on Domestic Vessels** | | |
| Level: | **3** | | |
| Credit value: | **4** | | |
| Learning outcomes - The learner will: | | Assessment criteria - The learner can: | |
| 1. Know the regulatory framework within which oil tanker cargo operations are carried out | | 1.1 explain the content of Maritime & Coastguard Agency (MCA) ‘M’ notices covering oil tanker cargo operations  1.2 explain the content of the sections of the MCA Code of Safe Working Practices For Merchant Seamen covering oil tanker cargo operations  1.3 explain the content of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) which relates to oil tanker cargo operations  1.4 explain the content of other relevant International Maritime Organisation (IMO) instruments and industry guidelines which relates to oil tanker cargo operations  1.5 explain how the application of port regulations may affect oil tanker cargo operations | |
| 2. Know how to maintain safe operations | | 2.1 explain the application of safety management systems to oil tanker operations  2.2 explain the chemical and physical properties of oil cargoes  2.3 explain the content and use of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS)  2.4 explain the safe working practices and procedures including:   * risk assessment * use of appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) * precautions to be taken when entering enclosed spaces including use of different types of breathing apparatus   2.5 explain the hazards and control measures associated with oil tanker cargo operations including:   * toxicity * flammability and explosion * health hazards * inert gas composition * electrostatic hazards   2.6 explain how to calibrate and use monitoring and gas detection systems, instruments and equipment  2.7 explain the dangers of non-compliance with relevant rules and regulations | |
| 3. Know key features of oil tanker cargo systems | | 3.1 explain oil tanker designs, systems, and equipment, including:   * general arrangement and construction * pumping arrangement and equipment * tank arrangement, pipeline system and tank venting arrangement * gauging systems and alarms * cargo heating systems * tank cleaning, gas freeing and inerting systems * ballast system * cargo area venting and accommodation ventilation * slop arrangements * vapour recovery systems * cargo related electrical and electronic control systems * environmental protection equipment * tank coating * tank temperature and pressure control systems * fire fighting systems | |
| 4. Know the principles of ship stability affecting cargo operations | | 4.1 explain the effect of bulk liquid cargoes on:   * trim * stability * structural integrity | |
| 5. Know how to control oil cargo operations | | 5.1 explain how to develop and apply cargo-related operation plans, procedures and check lists  5.2 explain how to perform cargo measurements and calculations  5.3 explain how to carry out loading, stowing, carrying and discharging operations including:   * loading and unloading plans * ballasting and deballasting * tank cleaning operations * inerting * gas freeing * ship to ship transfers   5.4 explain how to manage and supervise personnel with cargo related responsibilities | |
| 6. Know how to implement pollution control measures, including response to a spill | | 6.1 explain the procedures for prevention of pollution of the environment and the atmosphere  6.2 explain the correct documentation to be carried and completed  6.3 explain how to take pollution control action in the case of a pollution incident, including making appropriate reports | |
| 7. Know the precautions to be taken when repair and maintenance work is carried out | | 7.1 explain the planning and general precautions to be taken before and during repair and maintenance work  7.2 explain the precautions to be taken for hot and cold work  7.3 explain the precautions to be taken to maintain electrical safety | |
| 8. Know how to respond to emergencies arising from oil cargo operations | | 8.1 explain monitoring and safety systems  8.2 explain oil tanker emergency procedures including:   * ship emergency response plans * cargo operations emergency shutdown * actions to be taken in the event of failure of systems or services essential to cargo * fire fighting on oil tankers * enclosed space rescue * use of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS)   8.2 explain actions to be taken following collision, grounding or spillage  8.3 explain medical first aid procedures on board oil tankers | |
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| Additional information about the unit | | This unit is designed for study by those working towards meeting the requirements for a BML (Boatmaster Licence) Oil Cargo Operations Endorsement | |
| Unit aim(s) | | The aim of the unit is to provide the knowledge underpinning proficiency required to control oil cargo operations on domestic vessels, including the requirements for a BML Oil Cargo Operations Endorsement | |
| Unit expiry date | |  | |
| Details of the relationship between the unit and relevant national occupational standards (if appropriate) | | MSA Maritime NOS 2012: A01, B14, B36 | |
| Details of the relationship between the unit and other standards or curricula (if appropriate) | | MCA syllabus for the BML Oil Cargo Operations Endorsement | |
| Assessment requirements specified by a sector or regulatory body (if appropriate) | | Knowledge will be tested either in writing or orally, (and if the latter subsequently recorded). | |
| Endorsement of the unit by a sector or other appropriate body (if required) | | Maritime Skills Alliance  Maritime & Coastguard Agency | |
| Location of the unit within the subject/sector classification system | | Transportation Operations and Maintenance | |
| Name of the organisation submitting the unit | | SQA, for the Maritime Skills Alliance | |
| Availability for use | | Unrestricted | |
| Availability for delivery | |  | |
| Guided Learning Hours | | 40 | |