

# COS SAFETY SHARE

## WHAT WILL WE DO TO PREVENT THIS FROM HAPPENING HERE?

### RIGGER LIFTED FROM BOAT BY TAGLINE

#### What happened?

While landing out a lift from platform, the rigger on vessel was utilizing a tagline when the tagline became wrapped around the riggers leg. While holding onto the tag line and being tangled, the rigger and boat separated approximately 7-10 feet. After tagline was freed from his leg, he let go of the tagline and fell approximately 7-10 feet to the boat deck below, resulting in a leg and ankle injury. The Medic responded with EMR to the boat deck, stabilized the leg, and the rigger was moved to the platform via Stokes litter. The rigger was medevacked onshore for further treatment.

#### What went wrong?

- Signalman cannot provide signals and safely control loads simultaneously
- Tagline position

#### Why did it happen?

- Review hand placement and tagline placement before job starts.

#### What areas were identified for improvement?

- Have a dedicated signal person (hands off) in addition to 2 riggers handling taglines
- Keep control of tagline location in front of and behind riggers
- Maintain 2 hands on the tagline, 1 controlling, the other stretching and controlling the tail

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