

MODERN MARINE CO-ORDINATION

TRAINING TO SAVE HARD CASH AND TIME AT SEA

Marine co-ordinators can save millions of pounds at sea. A pro-active approach is essential. Training is vital.

ON-THE-JOB SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PACKAGE

Green Marine Solutions (GMS) delivers its own unique on-the-job skills development package. This combines the many modern skills and disciplines marine co-ordinators (MC) today have to bring to one of the wind industry's most responsible jobs.

The offshore environment is evolving quickly. MCs must be able to sequence, monitor, meet moving deadlines and respond positively to incidents as technology advances. The day of the experienced seafarer equipped with only a radio is over.

The management matrix is now too complex for guesswork. Potential liabilities are high. Downtime is expensive.

CONSTANTLY IMPROVING EFFICIENCY

Alex Harrison leads GMS' marine co-ordination programme. This shows candidates how to constantly boost efficiency while managing out losses and delays. Alex believes that MCs must be able to identify conflicts and predict problems before they happen, saving clients money they didn't even know they were in danger of losing.

"With crew transfer vessels costing many thousands of pounds a day, and construction vessels tens of thousands, there is plenty of work for active MCs to tackle" he says.

THORNTON BANK WINDFARM – AN EXAMPLE

At present, GMS channels MC training to its own service delivery teams. However, it also delivers training to clients' own teams – an example being on C-Power's Thornton Bank wind farm operating off the Belgian coast.

The training is vocationally-based and follows a fixed and measurable programme. MC training covers nine key competencies – operational communication, emergency response, chartwork, general maritime, meteorology, seamanship, plus IMO, IMDG and SOLAS.

Many trainees already have a core knowledge. Training is designed to refine this further.

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