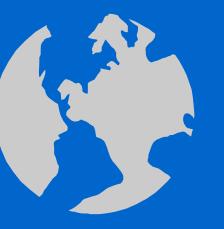
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Chapter 3

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Safety in Fisheries Work

Fisheries work done on



• Land

Water

- Ice
- Air







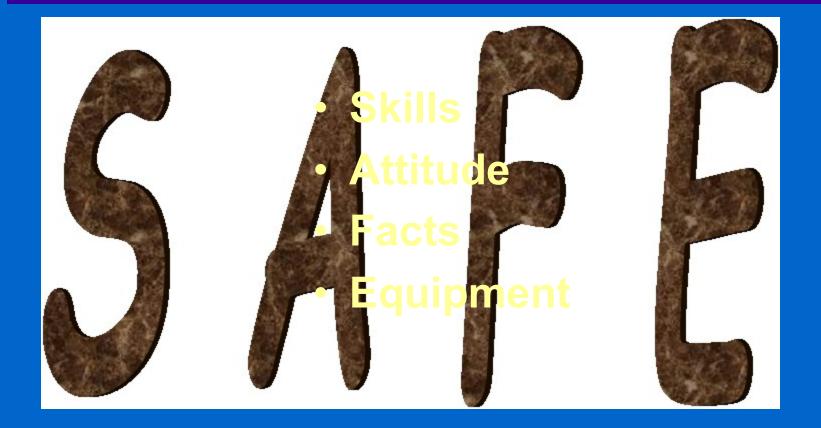
Dangers



- Equipment
- Chemicals
- Remote locations
- Inclement weather



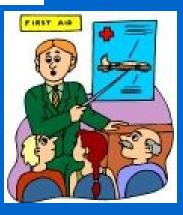
Safe stands for...



Safety orientation

- Review of safe philosophy
- Job hazard analysis
- Physical limitations
- Training
- Safety contracts





SAFE

3.2 First Aid

- When medical help not readily available
- Not complicated



Legal issues

Negligence



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Consent

Universal precautions

• Wash





Wear gloves

Seal bloody items in plastic





Clean up with disinfectant

Common accidents



- Drowning
- Electric shock





- Heat-hyperthermia
- Cold-hypothermia
- (Refer to box 3.2, Pg **66**)



3.3 Boating safety - Power and capacity ratings





- Carry recommended capacity
- Calculate load capacity (Box 3.3, Pg 69)
- Rough water decreases safe carrying capacity
- Distribute load evenly
- Keep load low in boat

Safe boating procedures

 Fisheries biologists should take a course in boating skills



- Seamanship
- Aids in navigation
- Piloting
- Safe motor boat operation
- Boating laws



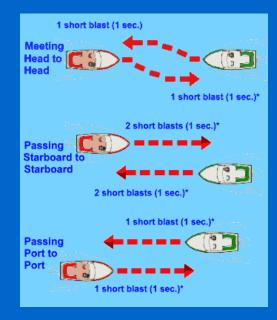
Safe boating based on

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- Good sense
- Courtesy

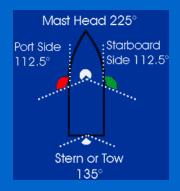
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 Respect for life and property



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Important



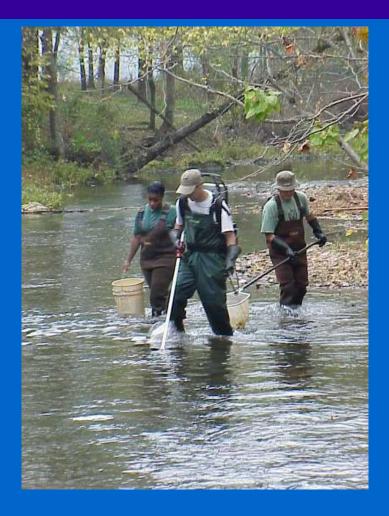
- Fire prevention gear
- Whistles or horns
- Signaling devices
- Lights at night
- Flotation devices should be on board





3.4 Safe wading requires

- Equipment
- Skills
- Knowledge
 - Think one foot at a time
 - Take short steps
 - Walk into current
 - Cross fast water at slow pace



Waders



 Protect from cuts and parasites

 Should be comfortable-neoprene

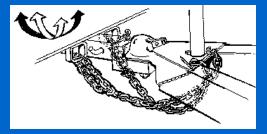
3.6 Safety on the road -Accident prevention entails

- Anticipate hazard by thinking ahead
- Understand the defense for specific hazard and apply
- Act defensively when hazard is recognized



Towing a trailer-four requirements

Proper trailer and load



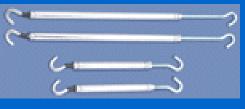
- Proper hitching equipment
- Towing vehicle with adequate weight and power
- A driver familiar with towing techniques

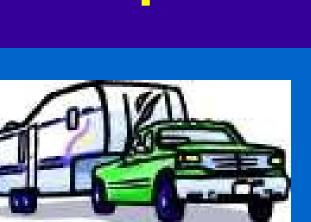


Heavy trucks and campers

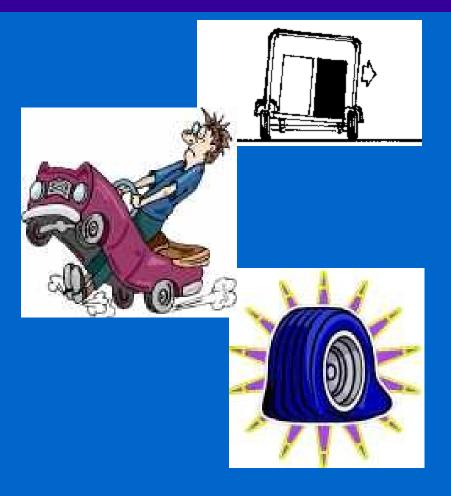
- Weight of camper and content not exceeding vehicle and tire rating
- Have oversized mirrors
- Check tie-down mechanisms on camper for tightness







Overloaded vehicles



- Unstable
- Steering and breaking
 - difficulties
- Overheats tires-catch fire or blow out

3.7 Safety in airplanes -Biotelemtry requires



Low flying(<150m)

- Low air speeds
- Modified aircraft

Important for safety



Communication

Understanding the job



- Knowing safety measures
- Wearing protective clothing
 - 3.8 Laboratory safety (Refer to box 3.7, Pg 77)



PLP-Polite Laboratory Protocol

- Clear labeling of rooms, work areas and containers
- Cleaning up thoroughly after oneself



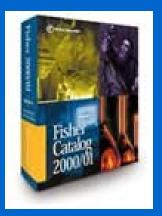
 Communicating need for space and equipment in shared labs



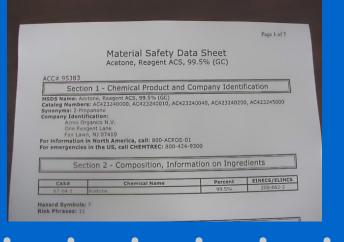
Transporting samples in double containers

Chemical safety

- Purchase from legitimate sources
- Use only for the registered purpose
- Transport in plastic containers
- Use MSDS for guidelines (Pg 78)







Reduce cost by

- Order only as needed
- Store chemicals in original containers
- Recycle where possible





3.9 Conclusion

Safety is a communal effort!!!

