

October 13, 2021

Maritime Preservation Statement of Facts regards fire on m/v Divan.

Tuesday October 12, 2021 at around 12:20 a flash fire took place onboard 100 foot work boat m/v Divan, which was berthed alongside Maritime Preservation seawall.

The cause of the fire was later determined that one of four crew members used a grinder to cut a steel plate. The sparks from the grinder ignited fumes in an adjacent void space. Four crew members were injured. The flash fire extinguished immediately on its own and did not catch anything else on fire.

The m/v Divan was granted permission to be temporarily alongside to clean tanks and discharge the waste into a tank truck. The tank cleaning operation onboard the m/v Divan was a job being performed by the ship's crew. **Maritime Preservation personnel were not involved.**

NO hot work is permitted on any vessel without Maritime Preservation's permission. In this case the uses of the grinder by the ship's crew was not sanctioned and was a violation of our policy.

Maritime Preservation safety management team is devoted to upholding the highest possible safety standards, not only for its own operations but also on any client's ship while they are visiting our facility.