

Safety Alert

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Subject: Slip on Wet Surface

What Happened / Narrative

During the hours of darkness with moderate weather conditions, a crewmember on duty on the bridge slipped on a wet area of the deck and landed on their back. The vessel was standing by outside the 500-meter zone waiting on weather at the time of the incident and the vessel was pitching/rolling. The crewmember felt no pain in the coming days after the incident and travelled home as part of their normal rotation. The crewmember visited their local doctor and the doctor confirmed the symptoms correspond with damaged ribs and advised the ribs would heal naturally.

Why Did it Happen / Cause

The water had come from an unsecured kettle, which was located in the utility area of the bridge, close to the sink. The water had spilled onto the deck and was not clearly visible to the crewmember since it was dark.

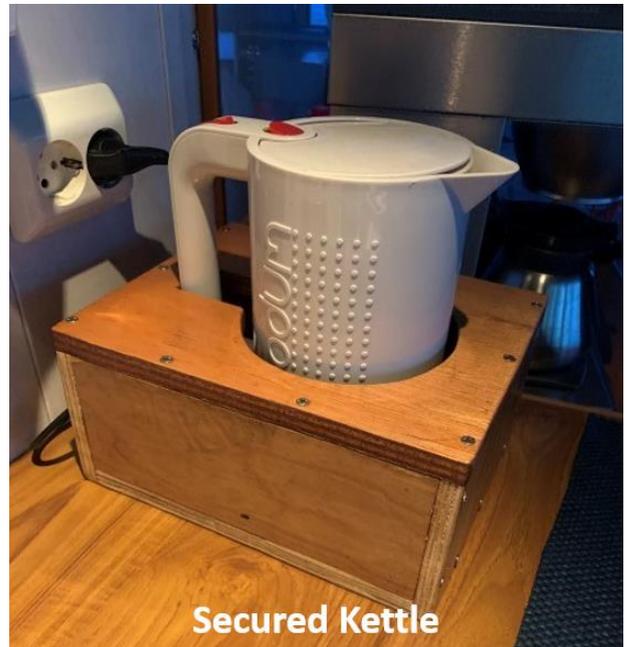
Corrective Actions Taken / Recommendations

- The kettle was fitted with proper securing bracket to withstand adverse weather
- The IP visited doctor at home to be checked out
- The incident was discussed by both shifts during scheduled safety meetings
- Are similar items on board your vessel properly secured to withstand adverse weather?

Photographs / Supporting Information



“better to secure on a good day than have to fix on a poor night”



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