Offshore Topic Performance Scores 2015

During an inspection, the HSE inspector will assess the duty holder against the selected inspection topics and award a score per topic. In 2015, 135 offshore inspections were undertaken at 104 installations operated by 47 Dutyholders. This report records the Offshore Topic Performance scores awarded as a result of those inspections, and the information contained here should be read alongside the Offshore Statistics & Regulatory Activity Report 2015.

HSE’s approach to Offshore Inspections:

Prioritising inspections is fundamental in ensuring HSE delivers its major hazard strategy whilst supporting businesses to grow. Energy Division Offshore aims to ensure its regulatory activity is proportionate to the risks to people, taking into account the Dutyholder’s performance in controlling risks. ED Offshore will inspect higher hazard installations and Dutyholders with poorer performance more frequently and in greater depth than installations and Dutyholders where risks are perceived to be better managed.

HSE’s policy is to conduct inspections in accordance with the Enforcement Policy Statement applying the principles of the Enforcement Management Model to regulatory decision making. Energy Division Offshore will prioritise which installations and Dutyholders it inspects based on inherent hazards, Dutyholder performance, and other intelligence, detailed within the HID Principles for Prioritising Major Hazard Inspections.

During 2015, at planned offshore inspections involving a sample of targeted installations, Dutyholders have been allocated scores against strategic topics. Detail of how this scoring system operates can be found in the Arrangements for Prioritising Major Hazard Inspections Offshore.

Each strategic topic is supported with an Inspection Guide and performance within a topic is judged against criteria set out within the guides. The current suite of offshore inspection guides can be found on the HSE Offshore inspection web pages. The topic performance scores reported were allocated following inspections undertaken by HSE in 2015 using the Inspection Guides referenced above.

Offshore Topic Performance Scores Overview - 2015
Offshore Topic Performance Scores by Inspection Topic - 2015

[Bar chart showing performance scores for various topics such as Maintenance Management, Verification, Operational Risk Assessment, Loss of Containment, Control of Work, Evacuation Escape & Rescue, Pipelines, Mech Handling & Crane Ops, Wells Competence, Temporary Refuge, Well Control, Noise & Vibration, and Loss of Stability & Postin.]