



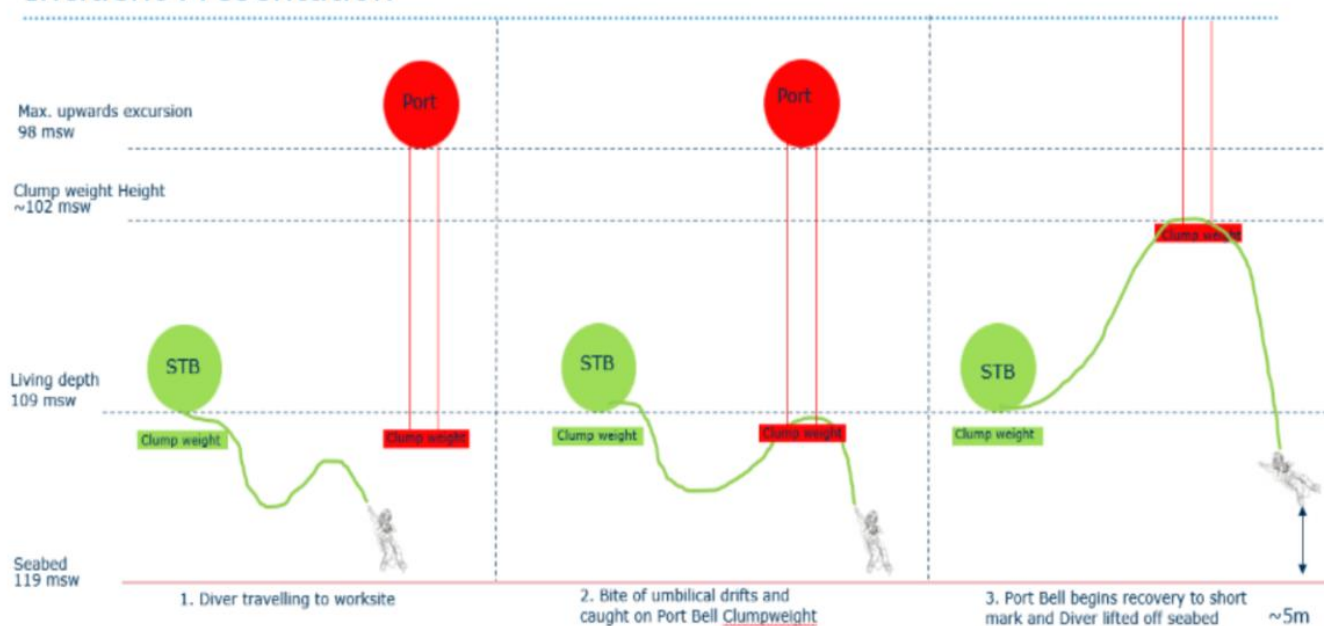
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Diver Lifted off seabed

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During subsea diving operations, a diver was unintentionally lifted approximately 4-5 meters off the seabed when their umbilical became entangled with a clump weight being adjusted prior to bell recovery. The Diving Supervisor promptly halted operations, and the clump weight was lowered to free the umbilical. The diver returned safely to the bell, underwent assessment, and was cleared to resume work using alternative equipment.

Incident Presentation



Key Learnings:

- The diver did not lose any services during the incident and was unharmed.
- Immediate recognition and response by the Diving Supervisor ensured the diver's safety.

What Went Wrong:

- The diver's route from the starboard bell to the worksite brought their umbilical in close proximity to the port bell and its clump weight, leading to entanglement.
- The risk of umbilical snagging on the clump weight was not identified prior to the operation.

Preventive Actions:

- Assign an observation ROV to monitor diver umbilicals, especially when divers must pass near objects that may be moved or lifted.
- Ensure divers are monitored by a second diver or ROV when navigating areas with potential entanglement hazards.
- Conduct thorough risk assessments to identify and mitigate umbilical snagging risks before commencing operations.

This incident underscores the importance of proactive risk identification and continuous monitoring to maintain diver safety during subsea operations.

Stay Vigilant. Assess Risks. Ensure Safety.