

RISK ASSESSOR TEAM

The loss prevention department aims to reduce Members' exposure to claims by raising awareness of risk. Co-ordinated by the Loss Prevention team is a dedicated team of Risk Assessors.

The Risk Assessors supervise and co-ordinate the activities of the five ship inspectors and control the condition surveys which are carried out (by independent surveyors) under the Club's Rules. The Risk Assessors travel worldwide in order to carry out their tasks. Permanent bases are maintained in Rotterdam, Greece and Singapore. All the Ship Inspectors are qualified QA Lead Assessors and are familiar with the requirements of the ISM Code.

Ship Quality ...maintaining Members' confidence they are sharing their risks and premiums with others of similar quality

Rising insurance costs and legislation that is ever more demanding mean that the 'quality momentum' is not only desirable but also unavoidable for today's ship operators.

Initially born from a need to ensure technical ship quality, the Club's ship inspection programme now has a strong advisory and support role for our Members.

Pre-empting what the authorities are likely to pick up is a major consideration.

- Collating and sharing the good practices observed from ships across one of the largest P&I clubs in the world.
- Suggest better maintenance and operational practices
- Improve risk awareness and encourage risk management practices on board
- Improve the master and crew's knowledge and awareness of P&I, what it covers and how it relates to the conduct and management of the ship
- Encourage communication between head office, ship staff and superintendents.

RISK ASSESSORS

Captain Chris Roberts

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Chris joined Thomas Miller in March 2001, after a long seagoing career in all types of tankers. Joined Shell Tankers in 1969 as cadet and sailed with them until 1977 rising to Second Officer, then joined Silver Line (V.Ships UK) and sailed in Chemical Tankers and LPG vessels. From

1983 until December 2000 he served as master for V Ships in LPG, Chemical and Product carriers, including 1 special OBO. Chris is a Fellow of the Nautical Institute and a qualified Lead Auditor for ISM.

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Tony joined Thomas Miller as a Ship Inspector. After passing a degree in Marine Engineering and becoming Chief Engineer, he came ashore as Superintendent and then Marine Surveyor/Consultant.

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Anuj Joined Thomas Miller in 2012. A master mariner with extensive sailing and command experience on oil tankers and other vessels, Anuj has also worked as a superintendent in a technical management company. He is handling the loss prevention and risk management aspects

of the local members and provides technical support to the Singapore team.

Captain David Nichol

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David is a Master Mariner, joining Thomas Miller in June 2014. After leaving the sea, he became a claims manager with a Piraeus based P&I correspondent for two years before joining a marine surveying consultancy. In 1997, David established his own consultancy, with the majority of

work being P&I related. From 2010 until joining Thomas Miller, he was a claims executive with another P&I Club, handling a wide variety of P&I and FD&D claims as well as being actively involved in their Loss Prevention initiatives.

Captain Markus Westphal

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Markus Westphal joined Thomas Miller in 2014 as a Risk Assessor. He previously worked on general cargo vessels, bulk carriers and container vessels, rising to the rank of Master in 2000. As a junior officer, Markus served on salvage tugs off the South African coast as well as the

development of the Mossgas project off Mosselbay. During his time at Safmarine, Markus was involved with the introduction of the ISM code as well as the ISPS code, his vessels being audited externally and internally.

Captain Karl Palmer

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Karl Palmer started working with the UK P&I Club in December 2015, providing Risk Assessment services to the Club's Members in China. Based in Shanghai, Karl has a number of years experience in the marine industry, including cargo damage disputes, ship inspections and overseeing

wreck removals. Before he moved to Shanghai, Karl was previously based in the UK as a Marine Consultant. Karl is a Master Mariner, mainly sailing on LPG Carriers.

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Jason started working with the UK P&I Club in November 2012, providing Risk Assessment and Condition Survey services to the Club's Members in the US. Jason is a Chief Engineer with years of experience in the Marine Industry.