Name of the convention: C 152 Convention concerning Occupational Safety and Health (Dock work)

Acronym or short name: Occupational Safety and Health

International organisation in charge of it: International Labour Organization (ILO)

Summary description (in plain language): This convention gives a precise definition of dock work (art.1). Some measures shall be prescribed in national legislation in order to workers do not interfere without due cause with the operation of any safety device or appliance provided for their own protection; take reasonable care for their own safety, to report forthwith to their immediate supervisor any situation which they have reason to believe could present a risk (art.6).

Contracting Parties have to specify the duties in respect of occupational safety and health of "persons and bodies concerned with dock work" (art.6).

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Applicability (situation of ratification): 20 ratifications (Brazil, Congo, Cuba, Cyprus, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Guinea, Iraq, Italy, Mexico, Netherlands, Norway, Peru, Spain, Sweden, United Republic of Tanzania). This convention shall come into force 12 months after the date on which the ratifications of 2 members have been registered with the Director-General and this convention shall come into force for any member 12 months after the date on which its ratifications has been registered (art.45).

Stakes for ports: Ports are involved in the safety of dock work:

- Adequate and safe means of access to the ship shall be provided and kept available in dock work (art.15).
- Certain measures shall be taken in pursuance of the convention in order to implement requirements relating to the construction, equipping and maintenance of dock structures (art.4).

**Links with other conventions:** C 027 Marking of weight packages transported by vessels convention, 1929; C 119 Guarding of Machinery convention, 1963; C 148 Working environment (Air pollution, Noise and vibration) convention, 1977; ILO Convention C 137; STCW 1978

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