

From: DWH, OIM (Deepwater Horizon)  
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To: Johnson, Paul (Houston)  
Cc: Guide, John  
Subject: Permit To Work  
Importance: Normal

**Management of Permit to Work**

- On your rig, does the Permit Issuing Authority / Responsible Person walk down the job site prior to approving and issuing a permit?

A list of responsible persons for certain areas and equipment is posted and responsible person checks area before work starts and checks area and closes permit when completed. Approving Authority does not go and check work site prior to approving Permit.

- Does the Authority verify that hazards have been identified and mitigated through use of a JSEA, THINK Plan or other process?

Approving Authority reviews Think Plan, Task Specific Think Procedure and other things such as fire watch check list, confined space check list etc. Written instructions are put in by the OIM/Toolpusher and further discussions held with hazards associated and what mitigation/controls are in place.

- Does he periodically visit the job site during the work, and upon completion of the job?

The Responsible is to check the work site prior and review controls with Person In Charge Of Work and assure he understands the equipment being used and what procedures to follow for the job. Responsible Person checks worksite when the job is finished and closes out Permit. Not required to check periodically.

- How does rig leadership verify that this is happening for every permitted job?

Each department is assigned a specific date they are required to perform PTW audit. But we do not verify every PTW that the Responsible Person is performing these duties required. Why have a responsible person if you have to go to the work site and verify each time.

- How do you control multiple permitted jobs which occur in the same area and which may conflict or interfere with each other?

The Sr. DPO's are the PTW administrators and responsible for the PTW system located on the Bridge. They continuously review the board making sure which permits are open/closed. The OIM/Toolpusher handover each morning and afternoon to discuss Permits that are open. The OIM/Designee and Responsible Person are ultimately in charge of checking Permits that may interact or affect one another. Only the OIM can close a Permit. We have a magnetic board with rigs layout on order that will help assist in identifying what type work being performed and where.

Who can approve permits and what training is required in order to do so?

During the day the OIM approves all Permits and the Toolpusher approves all Permits at night with the exception of Critical Systems and the OIM/CAPTAIN both

Signatures are required for Approving Authority.

Respectfully,

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