

Please communicate to all offshore personnel and personnel flying off shore

Recently, a gap was identified in our policies concerning knives being taken offshore and an “unofficial legacy” of allowing them to be placed in checked baggage at the heliport. To maintain consistency with our policies and procedures, we will step up enforcement of restricting knives from going offshore beginning **December 1, 2018**. This will also include kitchen knives taken offshore by Sodexo personnel. Sodexo is working with us to have proper tools stocked in the kitchen/galley. This policy applies to anyone traveling off shore by helicopter or by vessel.

The only exception to this rule will be a designated cutting tool designed for the purpose of rescue.

- The knife blade shall be properly protected
- The knife will be secured to the technician’s harness or in a tool bag with a secure closure
- The technician will declare the knife to security at the heliport or if traveling by vessel to the HSE Lead

Please make this announcement at morning meetings on offshore facilities. The December 1st date should allow for several crew changes to receive this communication.

Below are excerpts (guidance) from our General Safety Rules Safe Work Practice (UPS-US-SW-GoM-HSE-DOC-00106-2)

Section 3.1.9

The use of individual knives and multi-purpose tools (such as a 'Leatherman®') are prohibited and will not be allowed offshore or at shore-based facilities. Alternative cutting devices will be provided for tasks (e.g., tin snips, polyvinyl chloride [PVC] cutters, wire cutters, etc.).

Section 3.4.9

The BP Weapons Policy strictly prohibits employees, or any person providing services to BP or located on BP premises from possessing weapons of any kind at the workplace. The following penalties apply to any BP employee, contractor, or 3rd party vendor that works in the GoM. This applies to the GoM workplace including heliport, shipping facilities, PMF, HOLC, WestLake campus, and any contracted vessels.

Thank you for helping to keep us safe!

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