

**ACTIVITY:** Fishing

**CASE:** **GSF 2005.04.25**

**DATE:** Monday April 25, 2005

**LOCATION:** The incident took place off Bermagui, New South Wales, Australia.

**NAME:** Unknown

**DESCRIPTION:** He is a 25-year-old male, a deck hand onboard a longline trawler owned by Puglisi Fishing Ltd.



## **BACKGROUND**

**DISTANCE OF VESSEL FROM SHORE:** Seven nautical miles

**TIME:** 23h00

**NARRATIVE:** The crew was hauling in the catch. As the shark was pulled over the side of the trawler, it lashed out and injured the deck hand's leg.

**INJURY:** The fisherman sustained a deep laceration on his left thigh.

**FIRST AID / TREATMENT:** The boat's crew applied first aid and the captain radioed the ambulance service to report that the deck hand had sustained a gash to his thigh. When the trawler docked at the wharf at 02h00 (April 26), paramedics from a New South Wales ambulance provided further treatment. The injuries were considered minor and the deck hand was not hospitalized.

**SPECIES INVOLVED:** A 1.5-metre (5') mako shark

**NOTE:** This is a provoked incident; it involved a hooked shark.

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