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# Probe into death at port

Police and Maritime NZ are investigating a fatal work accident aboard a container vessel docked in Auckland.

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Maritime New Zealand will investigate the death of a man on-board a ship at Ports of Auckland.

The stevedore, who was carrying out lashing work, died at about 2am on August 30 after being crushed underneath a container at the Fergusson terminal.

“We are all absolutely devastated by this news,” says Tony Gibson, the port’s chief executive officer. “An investigation is under way and we are providing support to our staff member’s family and all our staff. Their welfare is our number-one concern.”

Because the incident happened aboard a vessel, it is being investigated by Maritime NZ rather than WorkSafe, and the police are also making inquiries into the fatality.

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