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## PORT TRAGEDY

# Investigations continue into death of young man at Dublin Port

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Gardai have said investigations are ongoing into the death of a young man in Dublin Port who was killed on Saturday.

The man who was named as 19-year-old, Matthew Grimes by SIPTU representatives died after a workplace accident, according to gardai.

They said officers at Store Street were alerted to a “sudden death at a shipping premises at Dublin Port” at approximately 3.30pm.

“The man, 19 years, was fatally injured at a workplace accident. Gardaí and emergency services were called to the scene,” gardai said. “The body of deceased was removed to Dublin city morgue where a post mortem will take place. An examination of the scene has been carried out by gardai and enquiries are ongoing.”

They added: “The Health and Safety Authority and the local Coroner have been notified.”

In a statement, SIPTU said members had expressed their deepest condolences to the family of 19-year old, Matthew Grimes, who died while working at Dublin Port on Saturday, May 15.

SIPTU Transport Division Organiser, Karan O Loughlin said: “Our members wish to offer our deepest condolences to the family of Mr Grimes. Unfortunately, a tragic death like this is not an uncommon occurrence. Five workers have died, and others have been seriously injured, in various ports around Ireland, including in Dublin Port, since 2018.

“While the circumstances of this tragedy have yet to be investigated, it highlights once more the potential dangers facing workers in the ports. It is now essential that the Government introduces stronger and mandatory safe working standards for all workers in our ports and docks.”