

A distraction, a breakdown, an illness: the prosecution opens the investigation after the death of the dock worker in Trieste

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TRIESTA The fatal accident of the fifty-eight-year-old man **Paolo Borselli** is already the subject of investigation. The prosecutor moves and has entrusted the investigation, initially in the hands of the prosecutor on duty **Mateo Tripani** to the afternoon **Cristina Bacer** who is part of the working group on work accidents.

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First of all, it will be necessary to clarify the cause of death of the 58-year-old man, who ended up in the sea while driving a forklift; and for that we will need an autopsy. Did the worker drown? Or before he fell, did he have an illness that caused him to lose control of the vehicle? Or was there a fault? Anything is possible, as is the hypothesis of error, of banal distraction: a wrong maneuver (it is not excluded that the worker proceeded in reverse) or, who knows, a skid due to excess load. There were no witnesses around. The colleagues realized that Paolo had disappeared a long time later and it is assumed that the worker remained at the bottom of the sea for more than an hour. Yesterday, at the dock of the Settimo dock, the fire crews returned for other useful findings for the investigation.

It is possible Borselli was strapped in with a seatbelt, given that when divers found him on the seabed he was still aboard the vehicle, an open-sided, top-heavy lift. What happened to that machine? Accidents with forklifts, in Friuli Venezia Giulia, are among the leading causes of death at work.

Also yesterday Archbishop Giampaolo Crepaldi remembered Borselli in prayer.