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MAN DIES WHILE DIVING FOR SEA URCHIN

WorkSafeNB is investigating a workplace fatality in Green's Point, Letete, that claimed the life of 56-year-old Vance Pendleton on March 10.

Pendleton was among a group that was diving for urchin; when he did not surface, the other divers searched for him and found him approximately 40-50 feet deep at the bottom of a seabed. A preliminary investigation indicates that he drowned. WorkSafeNB is currently working in co-operation with the RCMP and the Coroner's Office until such time as jurisdiction can be confirmed.

About WorkSafeNB

WorkSafeNB administers no-fault workplace accident and disability insurance for employers and their workers, funded solely through employer assessments. WorkSafeNB is committed to preventing workplace injuries and illness through education and the enforcement of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*.