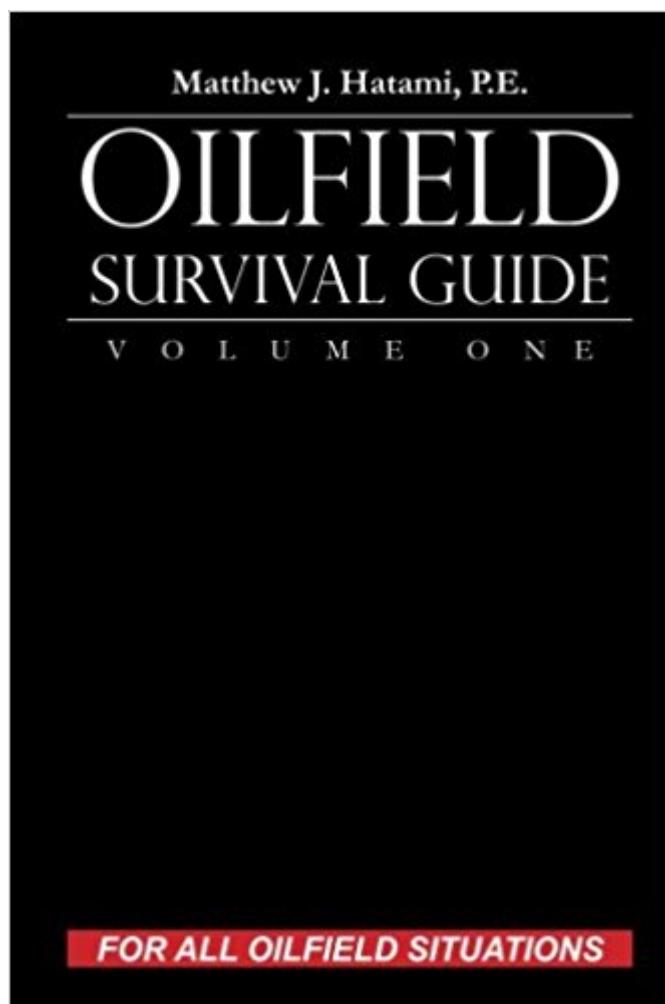


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# **Oilfield Survival Guide, Volume One: For All Oilfield Situations**



## Synopsis

The ultimate guide for all oilfield situations. Any job, any location. • Tactics • Procedures • Fatalities • Short Stories • Train Wrecks • Disaster Avoidance • Court Cases • Life Savings Skills • Checklists • Troubleshooting • Problem Job Prevention • Mistakes in the oil and gas business can cost millions of dollars, in addition to injury and loss of life. Oilfield Survival Guide is the ultimate resource to help manage oilfield risk and avoid mistakes by increasing your oil and gas knowledge and intelligence, utilizing a variety of methods, including: Tactics: Short and to the point guidelines to reduce risk and instill principles of oilfield survival. Short Stories: Experience from the mistakes of others. Fatalities: Detailed analysis of oilfield tragedies. Court Cases: Jury trials, expert witness testimony, and legal opinions on a variety of oil and gas cases. Procedures: Step-by-step process to create oilfield procedures and checklists, along with multiple examples. Operations Analysis: Oilfield operations post-mortem, highlighting key learnings, practical knowledge, useful tips, and best practices. Over 1,000 incidents analyzed to create Oilfield Survival Guide.

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The Oilfield Survival Guide (OSG) stands on a foundation of Core Tactics, constructed based on experience and analysis of over 1,000 oil and gas incidents. The detailed fatality, accident, and investigation related information included in the OSG, for many of the selected oilfield incidents, was

obtained through Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests. A significant amount of research, time, effort, and associated FOIA fees were incurred to bring this material to you, the reader. In many cases, oilfield incident related documents (substantial in size) were distilled down to a few paragraphs, to only bring you the most critical information. I hope you find value in learning from the mistakes of others, sharing these experiences with your co-workers, and leading your company towards success in every way. I wish you the very best, Godspeed !- Matthew

Mistakes are painful in the oil and gas business, both financially and physically. Many have been wiped out and forgotten. A statistic in a chart somewhere gathering dust. A distant memory, if remembered at all. However, each has a story to tell. A story of those final moments of life and death. A story that just might save your skin, if you're interested and willing to listen. Within the confusion and chaos of oilfield disasters are valuable lessons from the honorable efforts of great explorers. Great oil men and women dealing with adversity, fighting to survive. This book gives tribute to them. The cause of undesirable oilfield situations is sometimes simple, sometimes complex, but always unforgiving. Often it comes down to one's actions or inaction. Hesitate to shut a job down for safety, men die. Poor communication on location, men die. Neglect to perform the proper calculations, men die. Lack of attention to detail, men die. When the stakes are high, there is little room for error, as will be shown throughout the book when we step into the steel toe boots of others as they deal with oilfield challenges. Learning from the experience of others is a key principle of the Oilfield Survival Series. The philosophy is best summed up with a 2,200-year-old quote from old Latin literature: "It is better to learn from the mistakes of others than that others should learn from you."

Oilfield Survival Guide will be standard material for people who work in the industry. It's a true "Survival Guide," with layers of information. Love the book's format - it helps deliver key points and is filled with memorable stories designed to illustrate/underscore those points. It's about time someone in the oil and gas industry wrote a book like this. Money well spent.

This book is a must read for beginners and veterans in the oil and gas industry. Much knowledge can be gained from the detailed accounts, failures, and successes of an ever changing, dynamic field of employment! It is written in a captivating way, and I couldn't put it down. I will personally benefit from it, for the rest of my career !

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Great Book! My thanks go out to the author for writing this! Its well written and full of applicable information. I've worked with the majors and the independents and have experienced both sides of "safety programs". I have no doubt that I will use much of the information in the years to come. This book helps to provide a little perspective as far as safety is concerned. Its also quite funny!

Company names and company MENs names have been changed in clever ways. AND tagged "something" high up hole days after running an RBP....lets beat on it!!!!.....classic! This should be required reading for everyone in this industry. Its easy to follow and fairly simple to understand.

Thanks again Matthew!

This is a great book to read for all, but especially for those in the field of petroleum, engineering, and safety. I love how the book reflects on real life incidents and highlights safety as a priority. This book should be recommended as a standard book for Universities and Companies that have a focus on safety because lives may be saved by just reading this book.

Good narrative on some of the most tragic safety incidences in the industry. Several case studies and scenarios based on experience data provided from freedom of information act add to books credibility. Well referenced material. More fact than opinion. Author has a good grasp of field and office operations and politics. Good representation and history of the state of the oil field safety culture. Great culmination of referenced material and narrative from a real fracker.

Excellent read! Fantastic information in here for the oilfield rookie, or a good refresher for those of us who've been around awhile. Many examples of real world tragedies that we can all learn from and lessons to apply in our own operations. I hope oilfield service and E&P companies add this as a mandatory read for their new hires. So many accidents are easily avoidable as evidenced in this book. The author was able to make this informative and enjoyable at the same time. It does not read like a text book or a how-to guide, reads like a real book!

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