

Longshore Safety Tip

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AVOIDING THE BIGHT

Traditionally the saying, “Avoiding the Bight”, referred to getting caught in a loop of wire or rope in the cargo rigging.



But for today's longshore worker, it has taken on a host of new meanings, and applies to other hazardous conditions when working cargo on the terminals.



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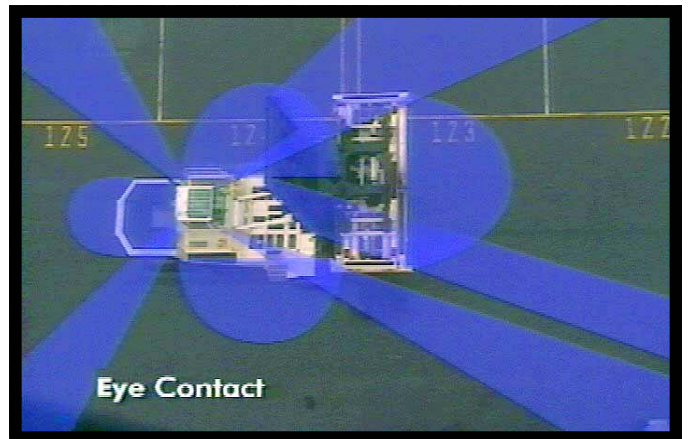
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For today's longshore worker, it is more vital than ever to "Avoid the Bight", when working around Container Handling Equipment.



Be aware, chassis have a natural "bight". There have been several fatalities & serious injuries when workers have been caught in the bight by the tires & the chassis, or in blind spots of cargo handling equipment (blue shaded areas).

Avoiding the bight comes down to this.... being aware of your surroundings while you're on the job, and always having a planned way of escape if you need one.



Whether you're working around Semi Tractors, Top Picks or any cargo handling equipment, make sure the operator knows where you are, make sure you know where they are, and always "Avoid the Bight"