

Longshore Safety Tip

HOLDMEN - SAFETY AWARENESS

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Your gangway safety talk will inform you about the types of cargo you will be handling and the safety precautions needed to protect yourself.



Use caution when boarding the vessel, make sure the bulwark steps to the vessel deck are secure.



*When entering the hold through a hatch, the ladder lid needs to be secured.
Make sure that holdback pins or hooks are in place.
Check for broken or missing rungs and/or excess grease.*



After entering or exiting a hatch that is flush to the deck. Make sure that the hatch, is secured closed !

An opened, “Flushed Hatch” is a fall hazard.



The weather deck should be unobstructed and oil or grease cleaned up.



*Before using a ladder in the hold make sure it is secured.
Always keep your hands free for climbing.*



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Always watch the load and then safely position yourself away from loads. Never turn your back on any Load!

**STAY OUT
OF THE
BIGHT !**

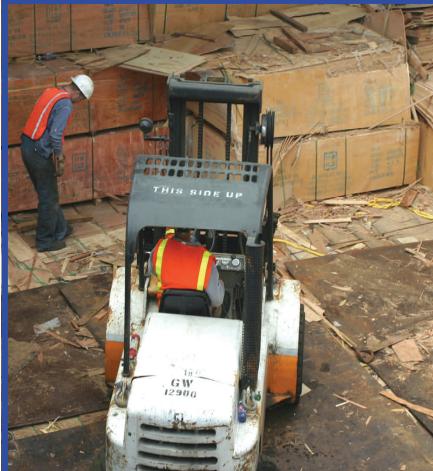
Cargo can shift at anytime in the hold. So when working in the hatch, beware of shifting or unstable cargo.



*Watch where you place your feet!
Watch for voids between cargo and/or drop-offs*



Housekeeping plays an important roll in ensuring a safe workplace. Dunnage, can get thrown up by the lift, if not picked up



Make sure that steel plates are secure when a lift is operating in the hatch. If not the plates may shift