

Toolbox Talk Prompts – CTV Deckhand – Personnel Transfer

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When arriving at location

- 1. Ensure passengers remain seated while vessel pushes on and is sitting stable
- Instruct them to wait to be told by crewmember that it is safe to get ready to transfer 2.

In cabin before transfer

- 1. Passengers and manifest checked to ensure passengers are departing at the correct location
- 2. Passengers reminded to carryout "Buddy checks" for harness, equipment, loose items etc.
- 3. Request the passengers Inform the deckhand or Master if they have a concern or problem
- 4. Transfers will be carried out one at a time, other technicians are to remain clear of the transfer zone by, or in the cabin
- 5. Are you wearing appropriate PPE?
- 6. Are you confident passengers transferring understand the instructions they have been given?
- 7. Do you have a safety lanyard and if so is it tested and in good condition?

Pre-transfer deck preparation checks

- 1. Are walkways and transfer area clear of slip/trip hazards?
- 2. Check for dropped object potential
- 3. Is boat hook readily available to pull down fall arrest, if required?
- 4. Is a sharp knife readily available in transfer area in case passenger gets entangled in fall arrest system?
- 5. Is the transfer area adequately lit?
- 6. Has two-way communication with Master been checked?
- 7. Has a visual signal to proceed with transfers been confirmed with Master?

Pre-transferring checks

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- 1. Secure your safety lanyard to a strong point
- 2. Sea state monitored height of seas and swells including "rogue" waves
- 3. Fall arrest system checked and operational
- 4. Passengers only called forward one at a time
- 5. Final buddy check given to visually check for loose or missing items



Document reference(s):

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6. Safety clip/Frog for connecting passenger's harness to fall arrest checked and operational



7. Confirmation received from Master that it's safe to transfer for each passenger

Transferring

- 1. Give clear instructions to passenger transferring
- 2. Ensure there is sufficient slack in the fall arrest system
- 3. Check the passenger has connected the clip/frog correctly to their harness



- 4. Check sea and swell for any waves that could cause the boat to surge up/down
- 5. Watch for warning signals from the Master
- 6. Provide a clear positive instruction to the passenger when he is clear to transfer

Descending

- 1. Monitor sea state and be prepared to stop climber if a "rogue wave" is seen or vessel starts to ride up/down on the ladder
- 2. Signal the passenger it is safe to transfer
- 3. Count-down the passenger for the last 5 rungs on the ladder with a loud clear voice:
- "5. 4. 3. 2. 1. STEP BACK"



4. Disconnect and send passenger to cabin