

Haul Out Safety

1. No alcohol or cannabis during entire haul out operation.
2. Safety coordinator has the final say – follow their instructions and don't argue.
3. All persons within the swing of the crane boom must be wearing a hard hat at all times
4. No riding in/on trailer
5. Only the driver to be on forklift or bobcat - no riders. Other clubs as well as our own have had a fatality because of this practice
6. Keep an eye on the forklift and bobcat and stay well clear of them. The person driving has a huge blind spot because of the mast. Make sure others are made aware of the presence of these vehicles.
7. Stay out from underneath suspended boats – slings can break or slip. It is the law and crane operator could be charged by the MoL for allowing people under a suspended load.
8. Ensure there is a clear line of sight between the signal person and the crane operator. In other words, don't stand between them.
9. All boats need to have two 25 foot control lines: one at bow and one at stern. This is so those on land slings can ensure your boat lands in its cradle safely and doesn't smash into your neighbour's boat.
10. Control lines must have no fittings or knots at the bitter end. This is to prevent the bitter end from getting tangled or catching on another object and the subsequent damage that would occur.

11. For those on water slings, take your time getting on and off the boat safely. Don't worry, it isn't going anywhere until everybody is off. No need to jump or other theatrics.
12. Once the boat is lifted and clear, let it go. The people at the cradle will look after it. Do not hang on to the control line and chase the boat because there is a good chance you will trip and fall if you do.
13. When boats are being lowered into their cradles stay out of the space between the boat being lowered and the boat beside it. A sudden unexpected movement could crush a person. Some of these boats weigh over 8 tons – you won't have a chance.
14. When adjusting the boat's position, keep your hands out of the space between the sling and the boat. It might tighten unexpectedly and cause a serious injury.
15. Likewise, keep your hand out of the space between the pad and the hull for the same reason. (Some pads are very wonky and the owners should repair them!)
16. Some cradles are extraordinarily heavy. Don't attempt to lift or move anything that exceeds your ability. We have a lot of people to help. Wait until there are enough people to lift and move things safely. There is no rush and no race.
17. Our biggest enemy in safety is fatigue at the end of the day. We need everybody here to provide relief as scheduled. Do not disappear. Your colleague's safety depends on everybody helping.
18. Help your fellow club members be safe. Look out for hazards they may not see. Offer to help when something is too heavy or difficult.
19. Stay hydrated – drink plenty of water or juice.

Stay safe and enjoy the day.

Announcements