

# SAFETY FLASH 21-62: PERSON OVERBOARD DURING MOORING

**Most individuals fall into the water during mooring. Unsafe actions and/or situations must be prevented.**

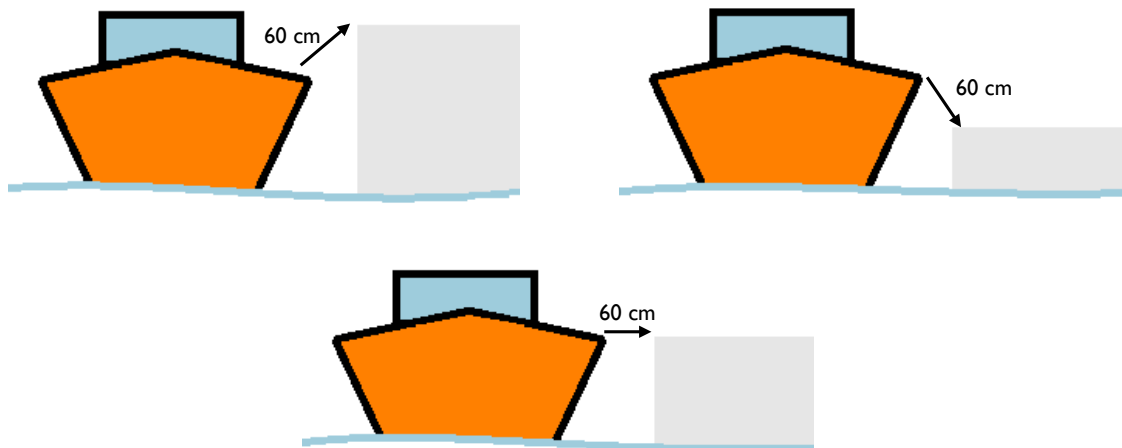
## GOOD PRACTICE

- Assess the risks well and discuss them with each other before the mooring begins (LMRA).
- During the work, ensure good mutual communication and make sure you can see each other.
- Make sure the barge is stationary against the shore before the crew makes a step-over to shore.
- Make sure there is sufficient lighting in the work area.
- Ensure the smallest possible step-over distance (see figure: maximum 60 cm).
- Wear suitable footwear and an approved and regularly checked life jacket.
- Keep hands free while climbing a staircase or ladder.
- Where possible, use the boatmen or ask for assistance from the terminal staff.
- Stop the work if it is not safe (Stop Work Authority).



## BAD PRACTICE

- Not discussing risks before work begins.
- Not being able to communicate or seeing each other.
- Leaving the barge when it is still moving.
- Insufficient lighting in the work area.
- Stepping over with too great a distance between the shore and the barge.
- Use unsuitable, unapproved and/or not regularly checked personal protective equipment.
- Holding materials while climbing steps/ladders.
- Not stopping the work while the situation is unsafe.



## ACTION QUESTIONS

- How do we communicate with each other during the work? And do we always have a view of each other?
- Do we stop the work if it is not safe? And how and with whom do we communicate?
- How do we help each other to not fall overboard? (for example: addressing unsafe behavior)

