

CONTAINER LASHING PROCEDURES

LASHING TOP TEN

- Walking Foremen, Gang Foremen, and Lashers are all responsible for safety and eliminating lashing injuries. The vessel's lashing plan should always be followed
- Wear proper PPE: Hard Hats, Class II Vests, Gloves, and Steel Toe Safety Shoes
- Lashers are to work in teams when hanging rods and tightening turnbuckles. Two lashing teams can work the same side of a bay only if there is a safe distance between them
- Do not pre-hang rods, stand them up or break loose a turnbuckle and leave the rod hanging. When taking a rod to the turnbuckle, secure for final stow right away
- Fallen or dropped lashing rods cause injuries. Control your rod. Do not drop or throw rods. Keep a safe working distance from other people
- Do not lash or unlash within three container widths away from overhead container crane operations at any time
- Report poor lighting and unsafe operations to your Gang Foreman and Walking Foreman
- Do not work where a fall hazard exists unless fall protection is provided. A fall hazard exists within three feet of any unguarded edge with a drop of eight feet or more and any gap over twelve inches wide. If you need to lash near open hatches, on pedestals or other outboard platforms where there are no guardrails: report to your Gang Foreman and Walking Foreman beforehand
- Be alert when walking on deck and climbing ladders. Check their condition. Test manhole covers before using them to climb
- Place all lashing gear in the designated storage bins. Never leave loose gear on hatch covers or in walkways