

Port of Holyhead – 26 September 2025

Landing of Ship's Ramps onto Linkspans

Ship ramps are to be only fully lowered onto the linkspan following completion of mooring operations and must be lifted from the linkspan prior to unmooring.

The lowering of ship's ramps whilst approaching a Berth is allowed to avoid any contact with shore infrastructure.

Direct communication between the responsible ship's officer and the shore person in charge of linkspan positioning must be established prior to landing the ship's ramp onto the linkspan.

It is recognised, as per SOLAS Chapter V Reg 5.2, *'that the Master has the overriding authority and the responsibility to make decisions with respect to safety and pollution prevention.....'*

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