

# WORKING ALOFT CHECK SHEET

## (For SHIPS)

USS \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Personnel will be going aloft at (location) \_\_\_\_\_  
for accomplishing the following work:

2. Prior to allowing personnel to work aloft, accomplish the following:

**INITIALS:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ a. If underway or in dry dock, or working near exhausts that are actively discharging gases, obtain the commanding officer's permission.
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. DANGER tag-out all rotating equipment, such as radar antennas, in the vicinity of the work area.
- \_\_\_\_\_ c. Place a sign on all HF, MF and LF transmitters and all radars whose danger zone encompasses the work area. The sign should read:  
SECURED. PERSONNEL ALOFT  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_ TIME \_\_\_\_\_ INITIALS \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ d. Ensure personnel going aloft are wearing a full-body safety harness with a safety lanyard, and climber safety device (if climber safety rail is installed).
- \_\_\_\_\_ e. Ensure that PMS has been accomplished on all equipment prior to use and all personnel are qualified and trained.
- \_\_\_\_\_ f. Notify the engineering officer of the watch/engineering duty officer to ensure that safety valves are lifted only in an emergency when personnel are aloft (main control should notify the officer of the deck of an impending emergency as soon as possible to permit warning of personnel aloft).
- \_\_\_\_\_ g. If work is to be accomplished on or in the vicinity of the whistle, secure power to the whistle (steam, air, electricity) and **DANGER** tag-out.
- \_\_\_\_\_ h. Ensure that personnel are briefed on safety prior to going aloft. This should include, as a minimum, keeping the lanyard attached with a minimum of slack to a fixed structure at all times; changing the lanyard connection point as work progresses; keeping good footing and grasp at all times.
- \_\_\_\_\_ i. Ensure all tools are attached to personnel with preventer lines; or, if passed up, have lanyards attached that are firmly secured before removal from the bucket.
- \_\_\_\_\_ j. Ensure that assistance is provided to keep areas below the working area clear and for passing tools or performing rigging.
- \_\_\_\_\_ k. Ensure that personnel working in the vicinity of stacks, or other areas where they may be subjected to exhaust fumes, are wearing proper respiratory protection equipment as directed by the RPM.
- \_\_\_\_\_ l. Do not permit work aloft, except in an emergency, if wind speed is greater than 30 knots, roll is in excess of 10 degrees, pitch is in excess of 5 degrees, or if ice or thunder storms threaten.
- \_\_\_\_\_ m. If in port, notify officers of the deck/command duty officers of adjacent ship(s) to ensure that high-powered radio and radar transmitters will not be energized and endanger personnel going aloft.
- \_\_\_\_\_ n. Fly the KILO ONE or KILO THREE flag, as appropriate, if in port.
- \_\_\_\_\_ o. Prior to personnel going aloft, have the following passed over the 1MC: **"DO NOT ROTATE ANTENNAS, ENERGIZE OR RADIATE ANY ELECTRICAL OR ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT WHILE PERSONNEL ARE WORKING ALOFT."** If personnel aloft are in the vicinity of the stacks add, **"DO NOT BLOW TUBES OR LIFT SAFETY VALVES WHILE PERSONNEL ARE WORKING ALOFT."**
- \_\_\_\_\_ p. If crane is used to suspend personnel, ensure that the crane has a current certification and the work platform is approved by COMNAVSEASYS COM for handling personnel.
- \_\_\_\_\_ q. Be sure the safety observer is properly outfitted and positioned.
- \_\_\_\_\_ r. Ensure that an operational risk management brief has been performed prior to personnel going aloft. This should include, as a minimum, the proper use to the personal fall arrest system and keeping good footing and grasp at all times.

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3. Conditions have been established to permit personnel working aloft.

Command Duty Officer/Officer of the Deck/Time

Working aloft **commenced** \_\_\_\_\_

Working aloft **completed** \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: Initials certify completion of an item. If an item is not applicable, indicate "NA" on initial line.**