

WORKING OVER THE SIDE CHECK SHEET

(For Submarines)

USS _____ Time: _____ Date: _____

1. Personnel (number) _____ will be going over the side at (location) _____
for accomplishing the following work:

2. Prior to allowing personnel to work over the side, 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. Ensure that personnel working over the side wear a fully body safety harness with safety lanyard, wear an inherently bouyant life preserver modified with a button hole in the back to wear with the full body safety harness, and wear a hard-hat. Appropriate PMS shall be performed on harness, safety lanyard, and life preserver prior to use. (Note: If working from a float or punt in the water, full-body safety harness and safety lanyard are not required. If in a dry dock without water, the life preserver is not required).
- _____ c. Each person working over the side has an assistant to tend lines. (Note: If working from a punt or float, at least one assistant shall be provided on the deck or pier.)
- _____ d. Ship's propellers are stopped and overboard discharges in the area of personnel working over the side are secured and DANGER tagged.
- _____ e. If work is to be accomplished in port between the ship and a pier or between the ship and other ships, a camel is in place.
- _____ f. Power tools, if in use, are pneumatic. NO electrical powered tools shall be used.
- _____ g. Ensure that an experienced, senior person has checked the rigging of the staging prior to use.
- _____ h. Ensure that personnel working over the side are briefed on operational risk management prior to working over the side.
- _____ i. Do not permit working over the side, except in an emergency, if wind speed is great than 30 knots, roll is in excess of 10 degrees, pitch is in excess of five degrees, or if ice or thunder storms threaten.
- _____ j. Ensure that a petty officer in charge of work is stationed at the work site. Ensure PO in charge is alert for anything that would cause an increase in ship's motion or drastic change in course. Underway maneuvers with other ships are not planned.
- _____ k. If in port, notify officers of the deck/command duty officers of ships alongside.
- _____ l. If a crane is used to suspend personnel over the side, ensure that the crane has current certification and that the work platform or basket is approved by COMNAVSEASYS COM for handling personnel.
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3. Conditions have been established to permit personnel working over the side.

Command Duty Officer/Officer of the Deck/Time

Working in a vertical trunk **commenced** _____

Working in a vertical trunk **completed** _____

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