

ANNEX II

MINIMUM SAFETY AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR EXISTING FISHING VESSELS (Articles 5 and 7 (1) (a))

11. Traffic routes — danger areas
 - 11.1. Passageways, trunks, the outer part of deckhouses and all traffic routes in general must be equipped with guard rails, grab rails and lifelines or other means of ensuring the safety of workers in the course of activities on board.
 - 11.2. If there is a risk that workers may fall through openings in the deck, or from one deck to another, adequate protection should be provided wherever possible.
 - 11.3. Access to installations above the deck for operation or maintenance purposes must be such as to ensure workers' safety.

Guard rails or similar protective devices of appropriate height must be provided to prevent falls.

- 11.4. Bulwarks or other means provided to prevent persons falling overboard must be maintained in an efficient condition.

Bulwarks must be fitted with freeing ports or other similar devices to enable water to drain away quickly.

- 11.5. On stern trawlers with ramps, the ramp must be fitted with a gate or other means of securing it of the same height as the bulwarks or other adjacent means, to protect workers from the risk of falling into the ramp.

This gate or other device must be easily opened and closed and must be open only for casting the net or for hauling it in.