FGIS Training Guide

# sampling safety

**General Safety**

* Obey all posted warning signs
* Wear close fitting clothes

**Gangways and Ladders**

* Check before boarding. If defective, do not use.
* Ladders - Do not use if defective

**Dock Areas**

* Be alert when walking on deck or wharfs
* Learn where emergency and equipment and locations are:
* Fire extinguishers
* Life Rings
* Emergency Ladders
* Telephones

**Barges and Ships**

* Do not sample barges at night unless docked with sufficient lighting
* Use caution when walking on ship decks, barge tops, and ship gangways
* Stay clear of mooring ropes
* Do not remain on barges while they are moving
* Be aware of other vessels in the area that may bump into your barge
* Require applicant to roll back hatches and covers and lock them into place
* Do not sample barges alone

**Rail Cars**

* Before entering railyard:
  + Immediately notify supervisor, yardmaster, switch crew foreman
  + Inquire about switching or unusual activities
  + Do not sample rail cars alone
  + Before Beginning Sampling:
  + Cease all activities on the track where you will you be working
  + Require track to be locked out or require derail to be installed on both ends of the string of cars
  + Follow other appropriate locally approved precautions
  + Do not probe rail cars at night unless there is adequate lighting