

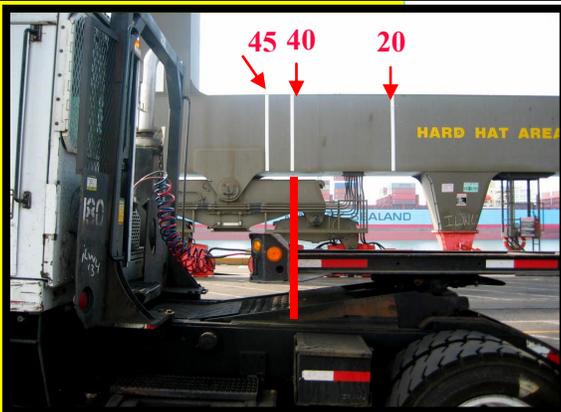
# Longshore Safety Tip

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## Signaling Safety: Container Gantry Cranes

### Safe Position

- Position yourself in a safe location where the crane operator can see you while signaling.
- Ensure that cone persons maintain safe positions.
- Never turn your back on the load, or any moving equipment.
- Ensure cone persons do not stand in the bight of a chassis. Rule 1622
- Ensure that loads do not go over drivers or cone persons. Rule 653
- Stand in the safety lane when tractors are moving.
- Never stand where the container may fall on or strike you.



### Accurate line up

- Align the chassis straight in the lane.
- Control the position of the chassis/bombcart using the mark on the crane sill beam to align the container to the spreader.

### Load Released

- Ensure all locks are unlocked
- Ensure container separates from the chassis in all four corners. Keep radio at the ready to yell "Come Back" or "Stop" immediately if needed,
- Use Stop hand signal. Rule 1633 Fig. 16.5



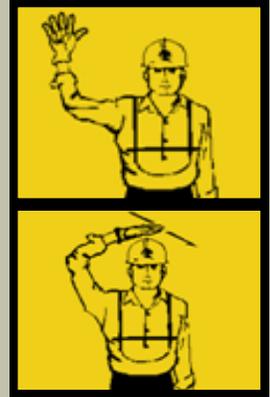
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## Signaling Safety - *Give Clear Signals:*

### *On lift:*

- Signal “Up easy” first. Rule 1633 Fig. 16.3
- Ensure container has been floated free of the chassis/bombcart and no one is in bight. Rules 1452, 1453
- Then signal driver to pull forward with opposite hand and give crane “All Clear” signal. Fig. 16.2



### *On landing:*

- Float container before landing. Rule 1451.
- Signal “All Clear” when container has been landed securely on the chassis pins or in the bombcart.
- Ensure that you are in a safe location, then
- Signal driver to pull out after spreader is free of container.



### *Drivers Signals:*

- Signal driver with the opposite hand.
- Point finger in the direction you want them to move.
- Use fist to signal stop.

### *Drivers:*

- Wear your seat belt. Rule 921
- Wait for the Signalman to give pull out signal before moving.
- Stay completely within the traffic lane, do not let chassis wheels or bombcart flanges drift into safety zone.



***Signal persons “Own the Safety” under the crane!  
Wear your safety vest, safety shoes and hard hat! Rule 612***