

ASD TUG MANOEUVRING MANUAL



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Following the introduction of the Damen Azimuth Stern Drive (ASD) Tug in the early nineties a large number of these vessels have been delivered to owners and operators all around the world.

These newly built ASD's have replaced older tonnage in the demand for increased power and capability. In many ports conventional tugs were replaced by ASD tugs in order to fulfil the requirements of safety and to be able to handle larger ships.

During the last decade a range of Damen ASD Tugs were developed and built. Over the years operators have expressed a demand for a significant increase of bollard pull.

The most recent development is the keen interest of owners for very compact and extremely powerful harbour tugs. Because of ongoing product development the Damen ASD Tug has been subject to a vast increase of power, performance and operational capability.

To make use of the features that the Damen ASD Tug has to offer, proper training on the job is essential. In particular when masters and crew do not have previous experience with ASD tugs it is of the utmost importance that extensive and dedicated training are performed. As part of the Damen after sales and service organisation a dedicated department is at your disposal to offer training at different levels. Based on a careful assessment of the available experience and skills a tailor made training program can be prepared. Training can be either arranged following the ex yard delivery or on site.

To ensure that the training takes place on the basis of a good understanding of the principles of the ASD design, we have prepared this Damen ASD Tug Manoeuvring Manual.

We trust that this Manual will provide the necessary support and reference in order to allow future ASD masters and crew to safely and successfully operate their Damen ASD Tug.

INTRODUCTION

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Special thanks to captains J.M. Touw, F. Bleiksloot and K. Viljanen.

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Damen offers their customers a wide range of training programs on site or at their yard(s).

The training topics, duration and goals to be achieved are based on the requirements of the customer/trainee(s).



TRAINING PROGRAMS

During the construction and commissioning of a new vessel, the crew can be familiarized with the ship's systems, operation- and maintenance procedures.

Apart from crew training, special training courses can be offered such as:

- Captains-training
- Engineers-training
- Engine repair
- PMS (Planned Maintenance System)

SIMULATOR

Customized simulator training can be arranged for each type of ship on a Full Mission Bridge Simulator.

Target of this training is to get familiarized with the type of vessel, incident / calamity facilities, and vessel traffic management.

INQUIRIES

Enabling Damen to offer a tailor made training course at least, the following information is required:

- Number of trainees
- Subject(s) and goals to be achieved
- Duration

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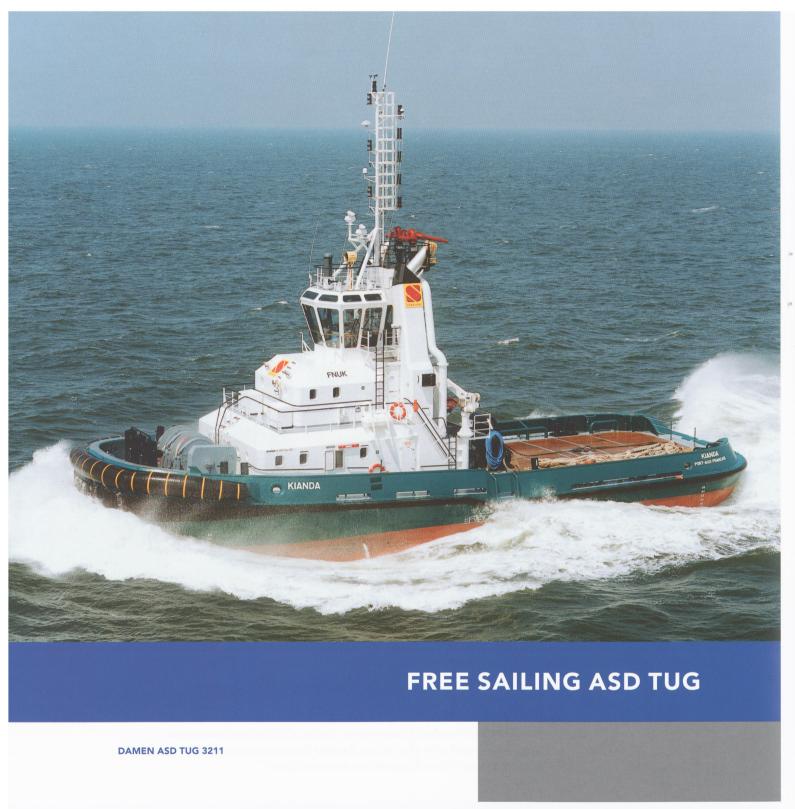
DAMEN ASD TUG
BOLLARD PULL RANGE

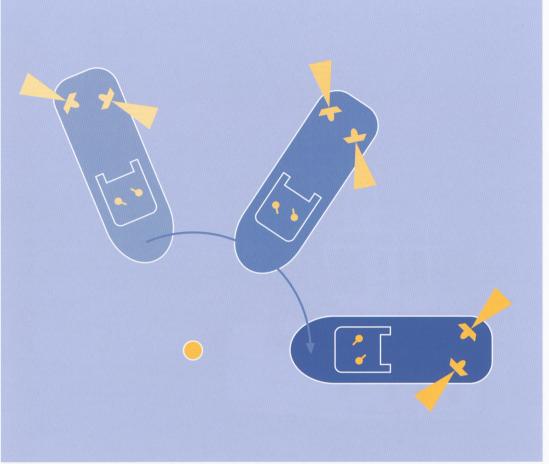


This manual will give you an idea of the types of manoeuvres possible with an ASD Tug.

It will guide you from sailing an ASD Tug without a tow to all kinds of harbour operations and manoeuvres. Some of these manoeuvres are easy, some need a lot of practise. Besides the normal operations also some more specialized operations are mentioned.

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MANOEUVRING

Keep the bow at a constant distance from a dolphin, mooring buoy or quay corner. Keep slightly more power on the starboard thruster and steer with the port thruster.

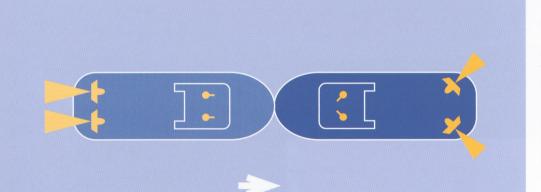


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PUSHING WHEN GOING ASTERN

One tug is pushing the other. The one being pushed has to keep position and push back.

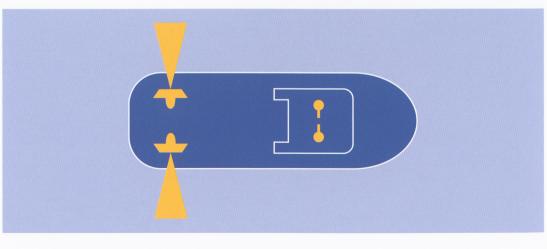
Note: only perform this exercise with tugs having

good fendering.



STATION KEEPING

Thrusters in neutral position, both engines running at same power.



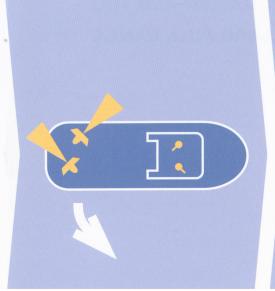
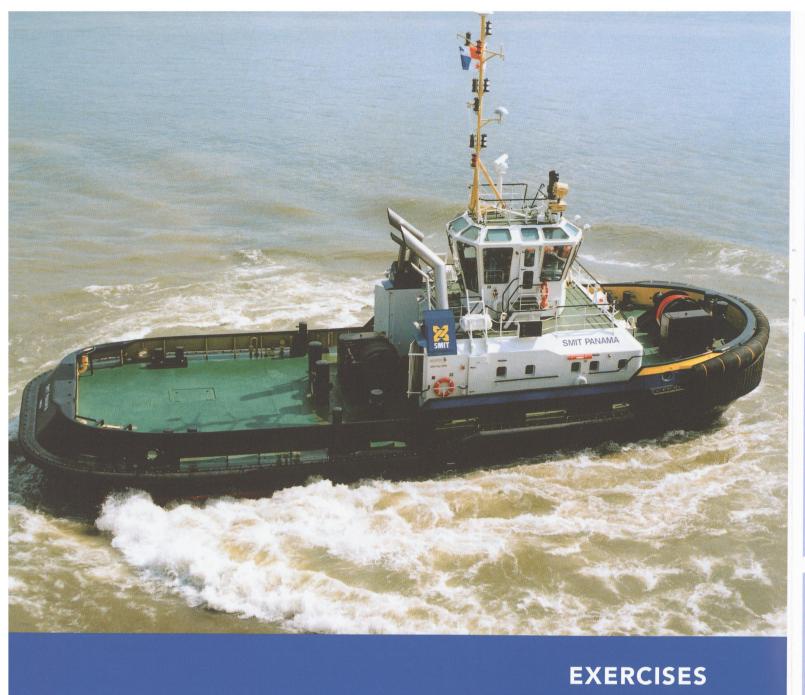




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FULL SPEED TURN

Turning on the spot without heel.



SAILING SLOW AHEAD

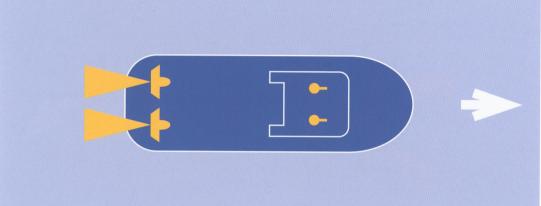


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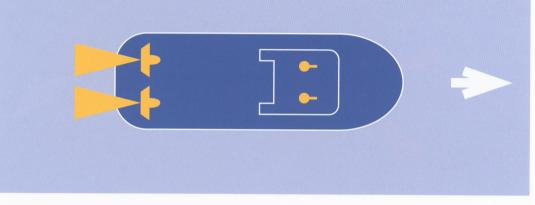
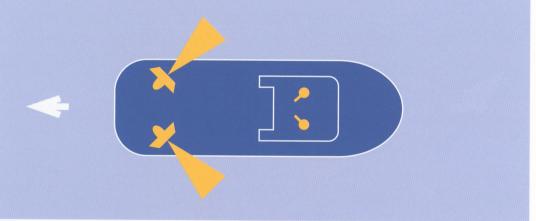
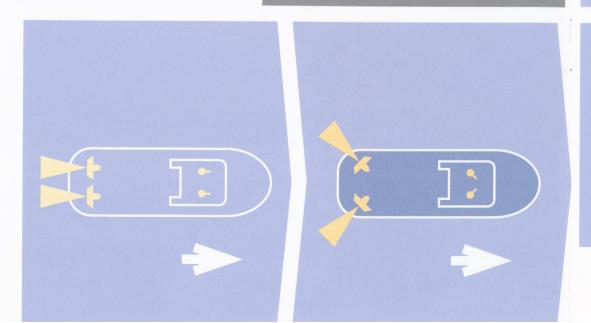


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SAILING SLOW ASTERN



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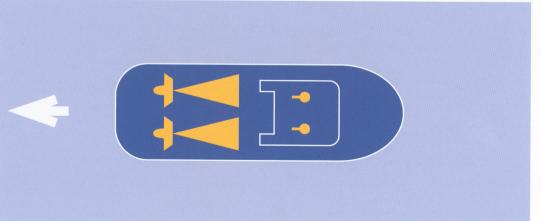


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SAILING FULL ASTERN

TURNING TO PORT

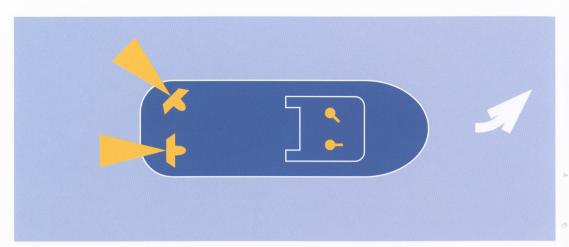


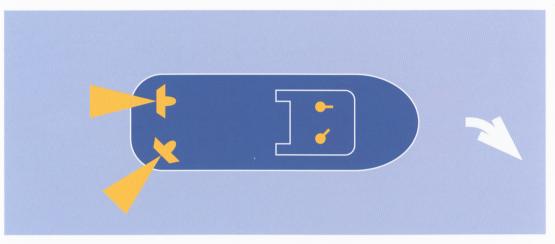
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CLEARING A THRUSTER FROM ICE

When a thrusters is (going to be) blocked by ice, disengage the thruster and turn it around. The ice gets a chance to float out of the thruster. The other thruster is still available for sailing/manoeuvring.



TURNING TO STARBOARD



When clearing the thruster by using the wash of the other thruster, there's the risk of the other thruster getting blocked as well.



TURNING TO PORT
STERN FIRST

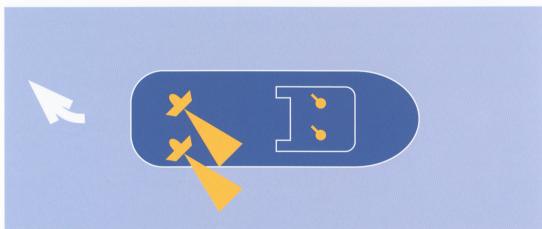
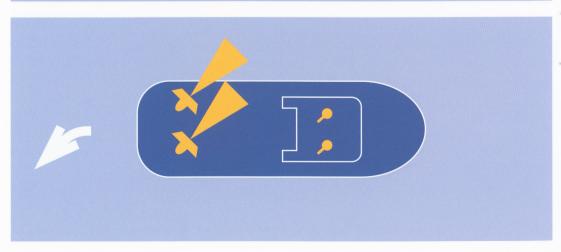


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TURNING TO STARBOARD STERN FIRST





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NORMAL STOPPING

Just move thrusters to neutral position.

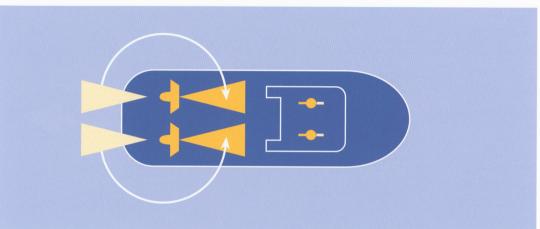


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EMERGENCY CRASH STOP

Turn thrusters 180°, always point wash outwards!

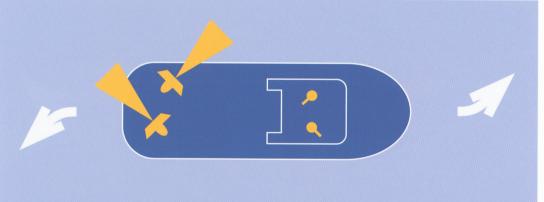


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TURNING ON THE SPOT TO PORT

To prevent cavitation, avoid wash from one thruster entering the other thruster.

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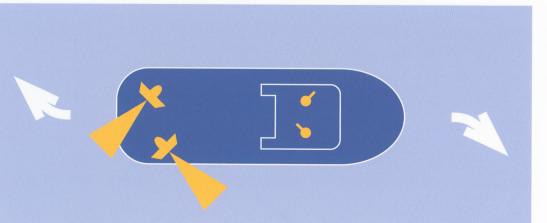


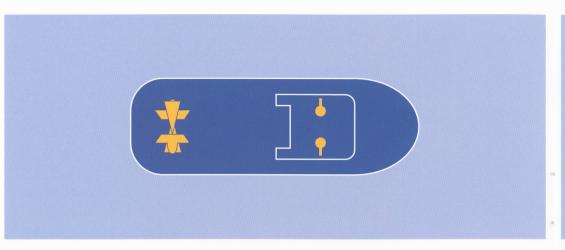
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TURNING ON THE SPOT TO STARBOARD

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STATION KEEPING MINIMUM WASH

Thrusters in neutral position, wash pointing inwards! Both engines running at low power.



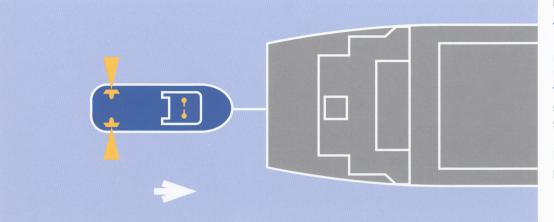


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TRANSVERSE ARREST

Used for stopping a vessel.

Most effective at speeds *above* 7 knots.

When speed reduces, the thrusters can slowly be turned to direct arrest mode.

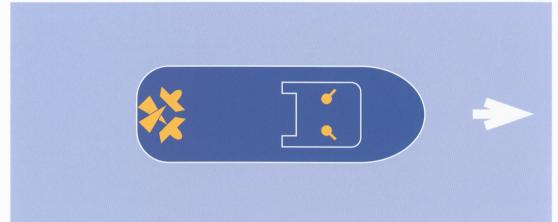
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Please monitor the engine speed to prevent stalling of the engines.

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SAILING SLOW AHEAD MINIMUM WASH

Low power only!



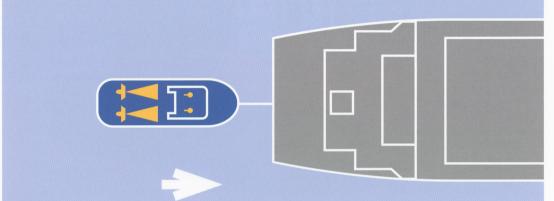


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DIRECT ARREST

Used for stopping a vessel.

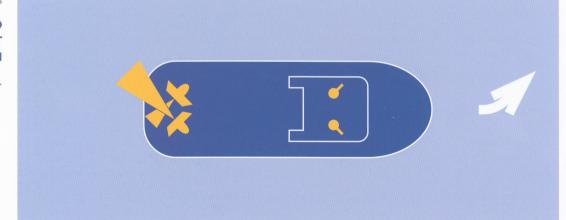
Most effective at speeds *below* 7 knots.

Please monitor the engine speed to prevent stalling of the engines.

ILLUSTRATION 16

SAILING SLOW AHEAD TURNING TO PORT MINIMUM WASH

Increase power on starboard thruster.



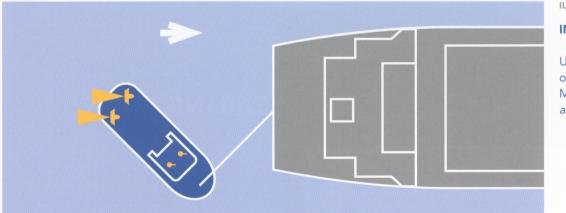


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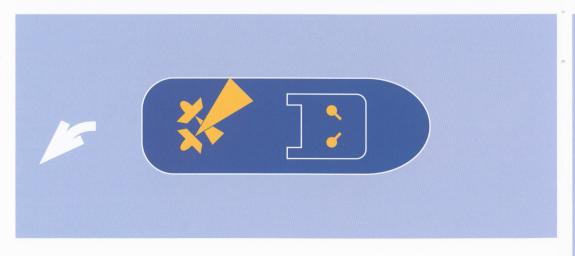
INDIRECT MODE

Used for turning a vessel or keeping her on course. Most effective at speeds above 7 knots.

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SAILING SLOW ASTERN TURNING TO STARBOARD MINIMUM WASH

Increase power on starboard thruster.



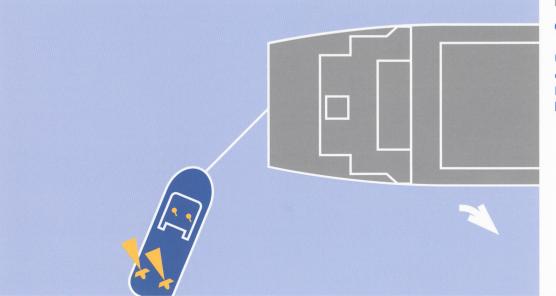
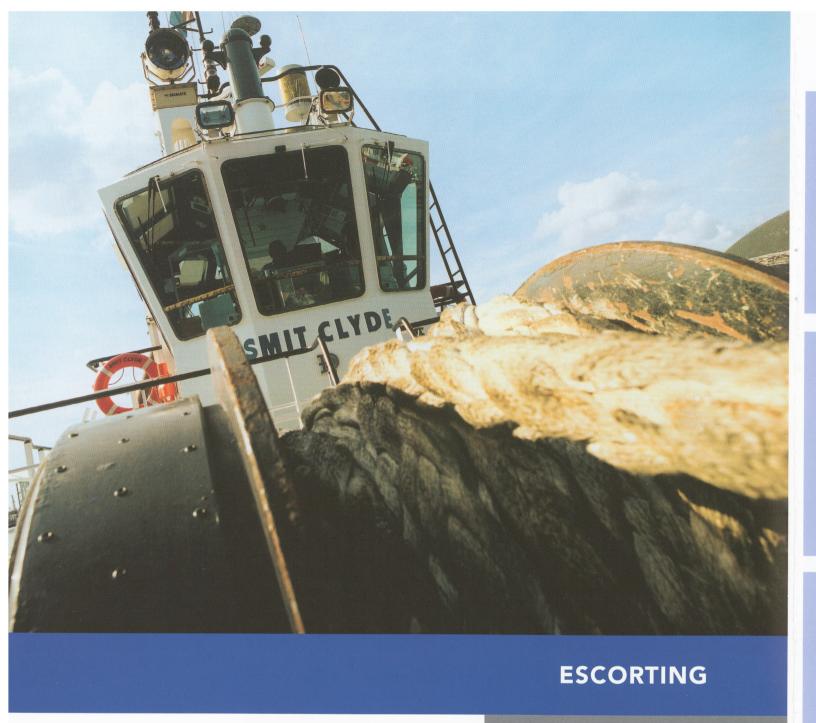


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COMBINATION MODE

Used for turning a vessel or keeping her on course. Most effective at speeds below 7 knots.



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Escorting is defined as assisting ships at speeds above 6 knots.

In case of an emergency the tug is used for braking and/or steering the assisted ship and secure her in a safe position.

At these high speeds the tug uses hydrodynamic forces on the hull and skeg to generate towing forces, or a combination of hydrodynamic and thruster forces. A tension meter in the winch is very usefull. The tug master can see if he is gaining or loosing tow force and adapt his/her manoeuvres.

Training the emergency scenarios in real life can be very difficult.

Therefore it can be usefull to train these scenarios on a simulator.

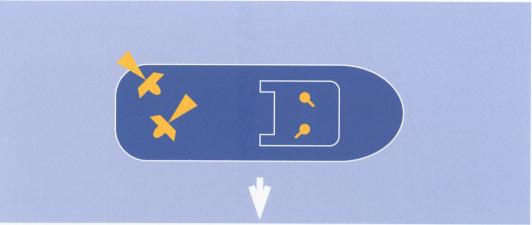


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SLOW SIDE STEPPING TO STARBOAR

Often used for coming alongside a quay or vessel.

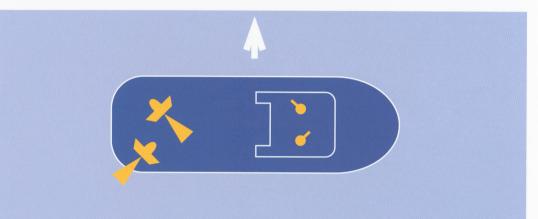


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SLOW SIDE STEPPING TO PORT

Often used for coming alongside a quay or vessel.

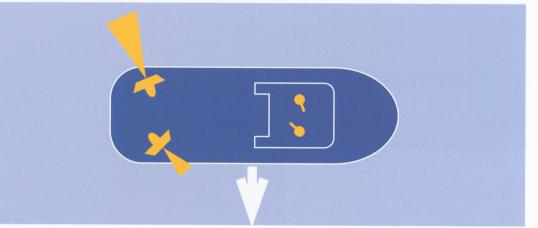


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FAST SIDE STEPPING TO STARBOARD

A little more power on port thruster than on starboard thruster.

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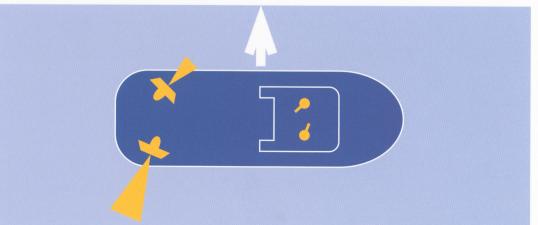


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FAST SIDE STEPPING TO PORT

A little more power on starboard thruster than on port thruster.



HARBOUR ASSISTING METHODS

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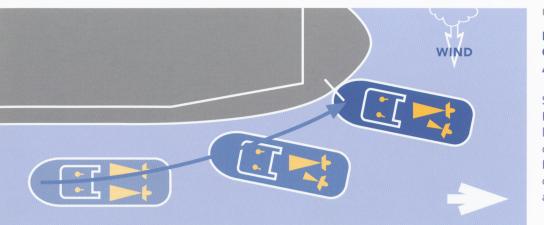


ILLUSTRATION 47

MAKING FAST ON THE FORWARD WINCH AT HIGH SPEEDS

Speed higher than about 4 to 5 knots. Keep to the sheltered lee side of the large vessels bow. If speed allows, keep outside unit dead slow astern. In case of an emergency, give full power on outside unit. The tug will gain speed and turn away from the bow.

ILLUSTRATION 48

MAKING FAST ON THE AFT WINCH

Keep to the sheltered lee side of the large vessels bow. If speed allows, keep inside unit dead slow ahead. In case of an emergency, give full power on inside unit. The tug will gain speed and turn away from the bow.

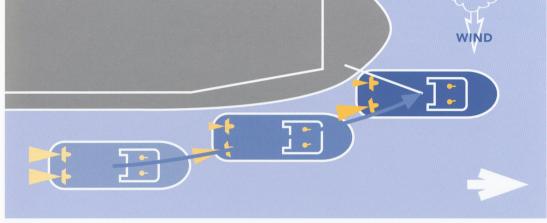


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MAKING FAST IN ROUGH WAVE CONDITIONS

for quick response to waves and keeping clear from vessels transom.

Use small thruster angles

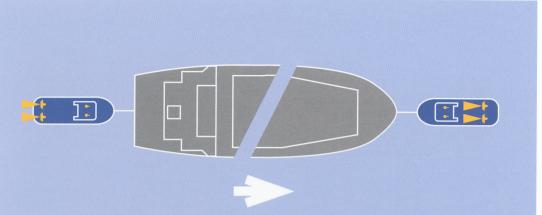


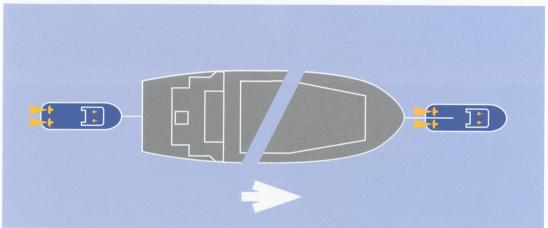
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SWITCH WINCHES

In case fore winch brakes down, turn around and use aft winch (if fitted).

Note: use fore runner.





NORMAL STYLE

Commonly used by ASD Tugs.

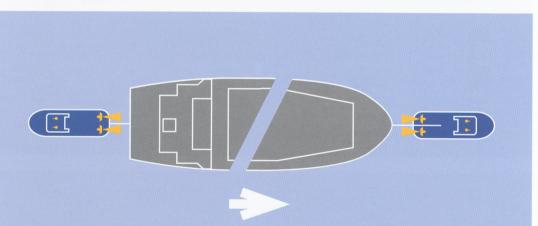


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CONVENTIONAL STYLE

Not common anymore for ASD Tugs, but possible.

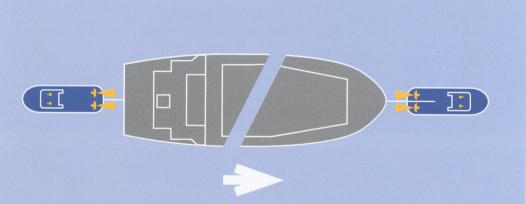
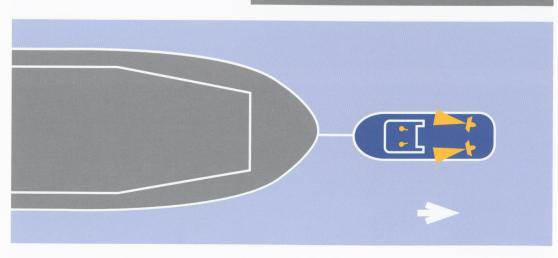


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MAKING FAST ON THE FORWARD WINCH AT LOW SPEEDS

Speed lower than about 4 to 5 knots.



MAKING FAST AT SPEED

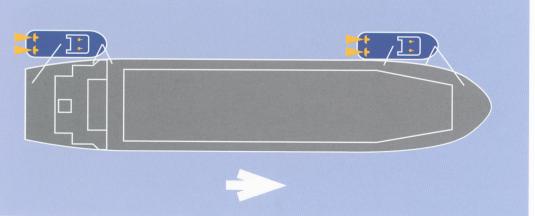


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PUSHING

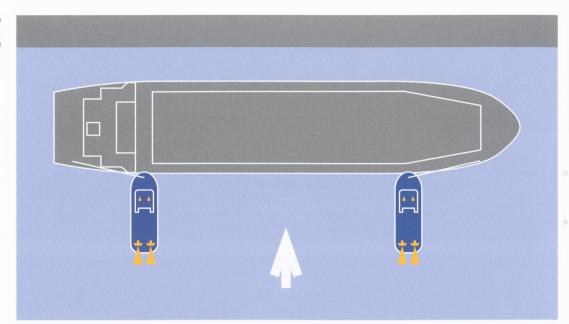


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PULLING

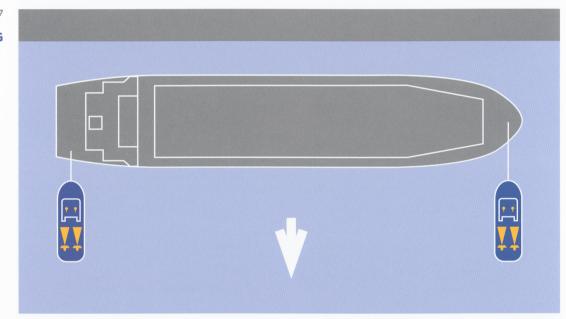
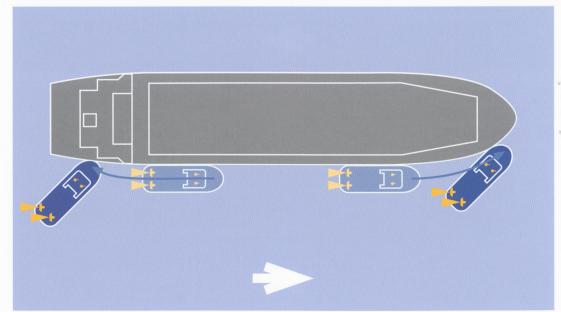


ILLUSTRATION 28

PUSHING UNDER AN OVER HANGING BOW OR STERN

When the ship speed is higher than 3 knots, go to the flat area of the vessels side and move from there under the over hanging bow (or stern), constantly keeping contact.

This is the safest way!



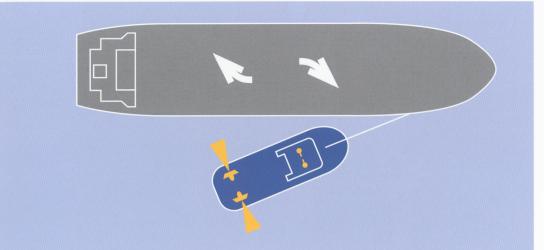


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TURNING VESSEL ALMOST ON THE SPOT

Wash of port thruster pushes against vessels stern.

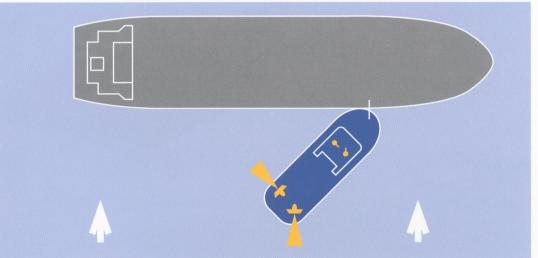


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PUSHING VESSEL SIDE-WAYS

Pushing the bow of the vessel with the bow of the tug and pushing the stern of the vessel with the wash of the port thruster.

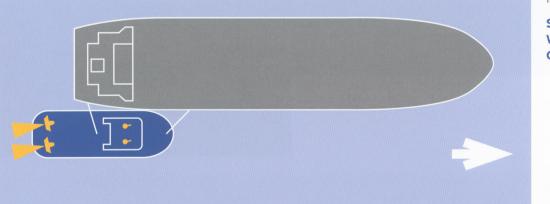


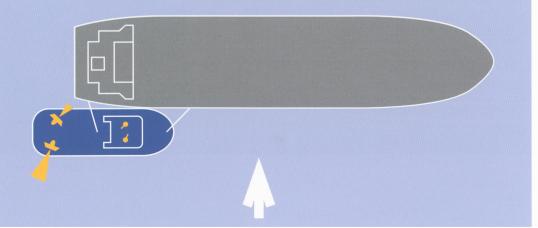
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SAILING AHEAD WITH A DEAD SHIP OR BARGE



ILLUSTRATION 45

SIDE STEPPING
WITH A DEAD SHIP OR BARGE





HANDLING SMALL VESSELS

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SAME METHODS AS WITH LARGE VESSELS
BUT WORKING WITH LESS POWER

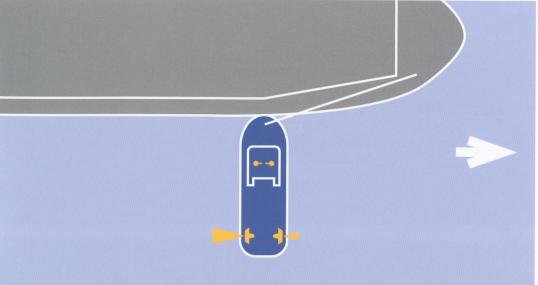


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TRAVERSING STAND-BY POSITION

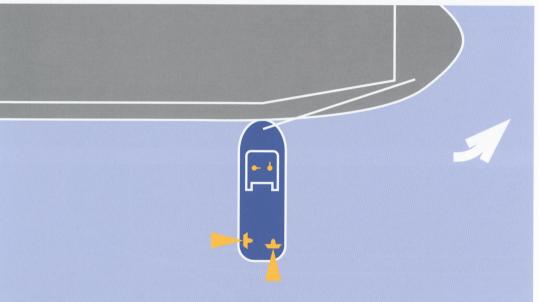


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PUSHING VESSEL HAVING A LOW SPEED

Vessel sailing at a speed lower than 4 to 5 knots.



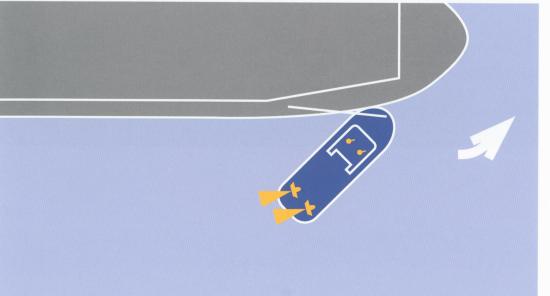


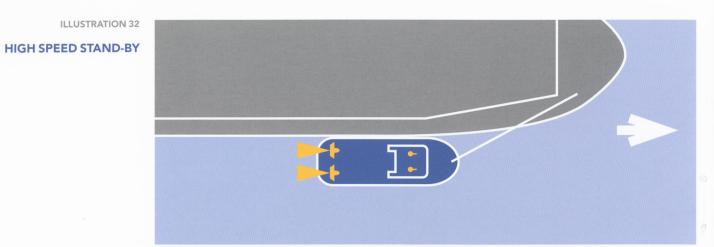
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PUSHING VESSEL HAVING A HIGHER SPEED

Vessel sailing at a speed higher than 4 to 5 knots.



BRAKING AND KEEPING VESSEL ON COURSE
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PULLING
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INDIRECT MODE
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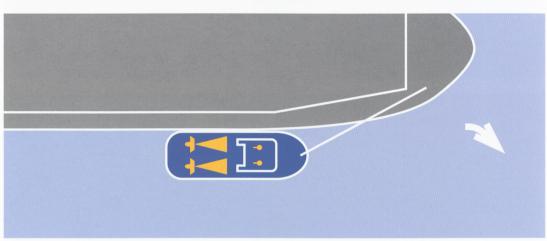


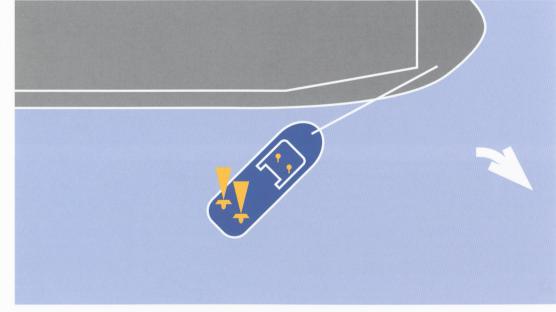
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BRAKING AND

TO STARBOARD

SLOWLY TURNING VESSEL





SAILING ALONG
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SAILING FULL ASTERN
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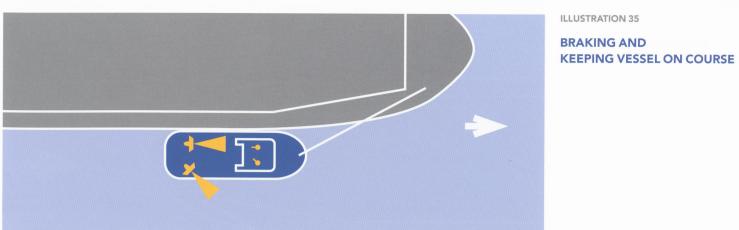




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BRAKING VESSEL BY PULLING AT THE STERN

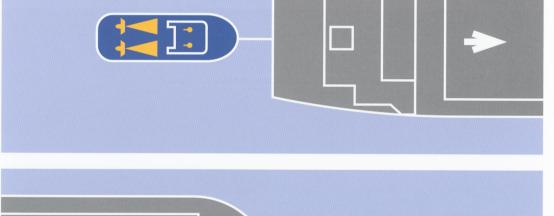
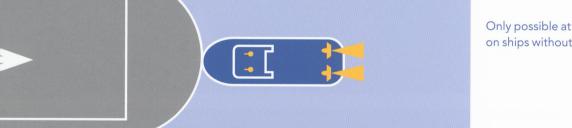


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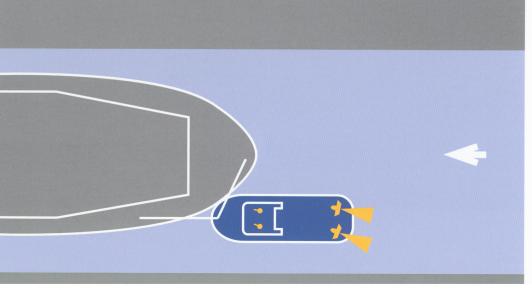
BRAKING VESSEL BY PUSHING AGAINST BOW

Only possible at *lower* speeds on ships without bulbous bow.





PUSHING VESSEL INTO A CONFINED SPACE





PULLING VESSEL ASTERN AND KEEPING HER ON COURSE

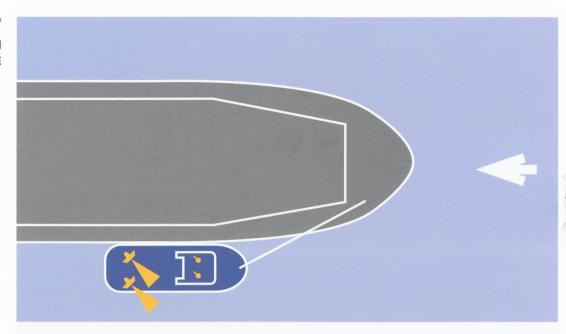


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SIDE PUSHING IN NARROW AREAS

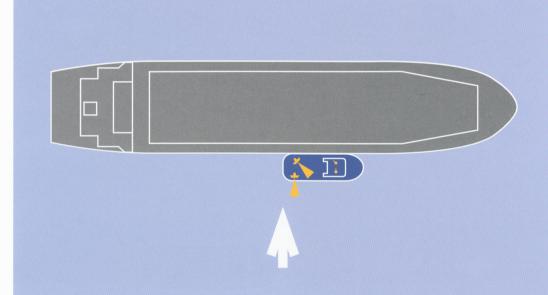
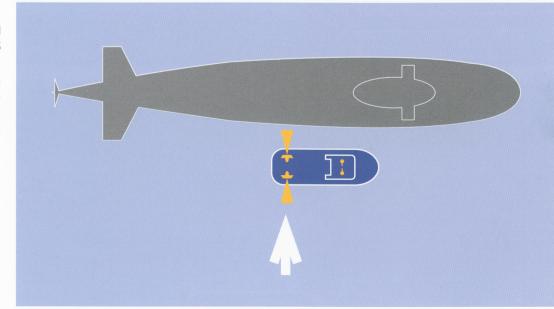


ILLUSTRATION 41

PUSHING USING THE WASH OF THE THRUSTERS

Used for handling vulnerable vessels, submarines, low freeboard vessels, etc.

Only applicable at speeds upto 2 knots.







HARBOUR ASSISTING METHODS NORMAL STYLE SEE ILLUSTRATION 23