

FISHING OPERATIONS

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BACKGROUND

1. Explanatory Notes

Section 24.87 sets out requirements for equipment control devices.

2. The OHSR

Section 24.87:

- (1) Winches, drums, capstans, and similar equipment on board a fishing vessel must have at least one master on/off control that is readily accessible on deck.
- (2) Drum pedals and other types of hold-to-run controls must not be bypassed or otherwise rendered ineffective.

POLICY

On a vessel operated by one person, section 24.87 is satisfied by the regular control switch on each piece of equipment. On vessels operated by more than one person, there must be another switch or switches away from the equipment at a central location on the deck.

Where another switch or switches are located away from the equipment, the "on" control should only be activated when the equipment can be seen and/or the operator has determined that the equipment is safe to be turned on.

EFFECTIVE DATE:	January 1, 2019
AUTHORITY:	Section 24.87 of the <i>OHSR</i> .
CROSS REFERENCES:	
HISTORY:	April 6, 2020 - Housekeeping changes, January 1, 2019 - Changes made to clarify the policy. September 15, 2010 - Housekeeping changes to delete practice reference and make formatting changes. Replaces Policy No. 85.21 of the Prevention Division <i>Policy and Procedure Manual</i> . This Item resulted from the 2000/2001 "editorial" consolidation of all prevention policies into the <i>Prevention Manual</i> . The POLICY in this Item continued the substantive requirements of Policy No. 85.21, as they existed prior to the Effective Date, with any wording changes necessary to reflect legislative and regulatory changes since Policy No. 85.21 was issued.
APPLICATION:	This item applies to all inspections that occur on or after January 1, 2019.
