

# Forklift Falls from Pier



A driver working for a shiploader was killed when he backed a forklift off the edge of a pier. There was no barrier or bull rail in place to prevent such a tragedy, but a concrete barricade has been installed since the fatality.

*Many fatalities have occurred when forklifts travel over the edge of loading docks and other elevated surfaces. Another common scenario for fatalities is when a forklift is unloading goods from a truck trailer. The vibration causes the truck to creep away from the loading dock, and the forklift falls through the gap between the dock and the truck gate.*