

CCBM Boat Handling Training on Pamela May 2

Lesson 4 – Springing On and Off a Mooring and Reversing

Pre-Lesson Preparation

Watch video 13 - springing off, winding and springing on
Watch video 10 - reversing

Link and Revision

Leaving a mooring and returning to a mooring.
Use of controller when changing between forward and reverse positions.

Objectives

Understand when to consider springing on or off
Spring off using stern line
Spring on using centre line
Reverse the boat for two boat lengths under control

Stage 1 – Assess the Need to Spring Off or On (demonstration followed by pupil practice)

Discussion and description

Assess the physical environment – wind effect, will springing on or off cause damage to the bank?

Stage 2 – Spring Off Using the Stern Line

Practical demonstration

Brief and deploy crew
Deploy stern line safely
Spring off and move away from the mooring

Stage 3 – Reversing

Practical demonstration

Position boat ready to begin reversing manoeuvre (central, parallel to bank, stationary)
Standing position and where to look
Use of tiller in reverse
Use of forward gear to correct bow drift

Discussion and description

Deploy crew at the front ready to fend off moored boats etc.
Fend only with hands on cabin and never with feet.

Stage 4 – Spring On Using Centre Line

Practical Demonstration

Brief and deploy crew
Crew to use a friction turn on centre line
Spring on and secure boat using appropriate knots

Discussion and Description

Use of fenders including roving fenders
Protecting the bank

Looking Forward
Lock operation