

## **WHICH WAY?**

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Getting lost a ship is not difficult. All the terms can be new and hard to remember.

The first thing is to find the front of the vessel, the bow. Face the direction that the vessel is going and you are facing the bow. It is the pointed part of the ship. All life boats are stored facing the bow.

If you are facing the bow then directly behind you is the stern. It's usually rounded and the driving propellers are underneath.

Still facing the front of the ship {bows} you have on your left the port side of the boat. Remember left has four letters in it, port has four letters. The other side to your right is called starboard.

If you're moving to the bow then you're going forward. If you're moving to the stern, you're going aft. If you're going up you're going aloft. If you're going down, you're going below.