

Trolling is one of the safer forms of fishing however there are few unique hazards that you have to be aware of.

Key Points

- Deck personnel on trolling vessels must wear safety glasses whenever practical.
- The most common hazard is when the fish gets off the line while the line is under tension (pop-offs). Watch for pop-offs and, if possible, keep out of the line of pull.
- If two or more lines are tangled in the water be aware that any one of the lures could be taken (putting tension on line and other hooks). Remove all lures from the water before attempting to untangle them.
- Pay attention when unhooking lures.