











SUBMARINE EFFECT

An escape route creates panic. Panic can increase the risks of drowning, chrushing and affect the boat's structural integrity and stability.

MAGNET EFFECT

Rescue equipment tends to act as a magnet and pull people towards the escape route created.

This increases the volume occupied and weight exerted on the part of the boat closest to where the rescue equipment is positioned.







IRON BOATS

between 30 - 60 people

Average speed 4 - 6 Kn

- * Minimal freeboard
- * Sharp edges
- * High risk of capsizing



RUBBER BOATS

between 70 - 120 people

Average speed 2.5 - 4.5 Kn

- * poorly constructed and fragile
- * high risk of puncture or deflation of the sponson
- high risk of collapse due to weight of people
- * the deck can break apart leading to a dramatic reduction in space
- risk of crushing or being drowned within the boat itself
- * risk of fuel exposure
- most vulnerable usually seated in the floor of the boat



SMALL AND MEDIUM WOODEN BOATS between 40 - 90 people Average speed 5 - 6 Kn

- * Very unstable with a high risk of capsizing
- * Often very overcrowded
- Possibility of lower deck where people may be at higher risk of suffocation or drowning
- * Effective crowd management is fundamental



LARGE FISHING VESSELS

between 200 - 800 people

Average speed 6 - 8 Kn

- * Very high numbers of people (200+)
- * Crowd management is very challenging
- * High risk of panic or capsizing leading to situation of MOB
- * Lengthy and labour-intensive rescue operations
- * People on the lower deck at risk of suffocating

FIBREGLASS BOATS

between 7 - 15 people

Average speed 7 - 10 Kn