

Text of the abstract

The present invention provides an obstruction (10) for mounting along a perimeter of a vessel or marine installation, wherein the vessel or marine installation comprises a deck (51) having a perimeter railing (20) and an upstanding plate (53) along an edge of the deck. The obstruction has an elongate body comprising a longitudinal groove (12) for receiving a lowermost course of rails (203) of the perimeter railing, and a tongue (14) for overhanging the plate (53) on an outboard or seaward side thereof. The tongue comprises a rear surface (142) intended to face in an inboard direction when the obstruction (10) is mounted along the perimeter of the vessel or marine installation. A separation between the rear surface (142) of the tongue and a centreline (X-X') of the longitudinal groove (12) is between 30 and 300 mm, and the centreline (X-X') of the longitudinal groove (12) and the separation together define a plane which subtends an angle of between 90 and 135 degrees to the rear surface of the tongue.