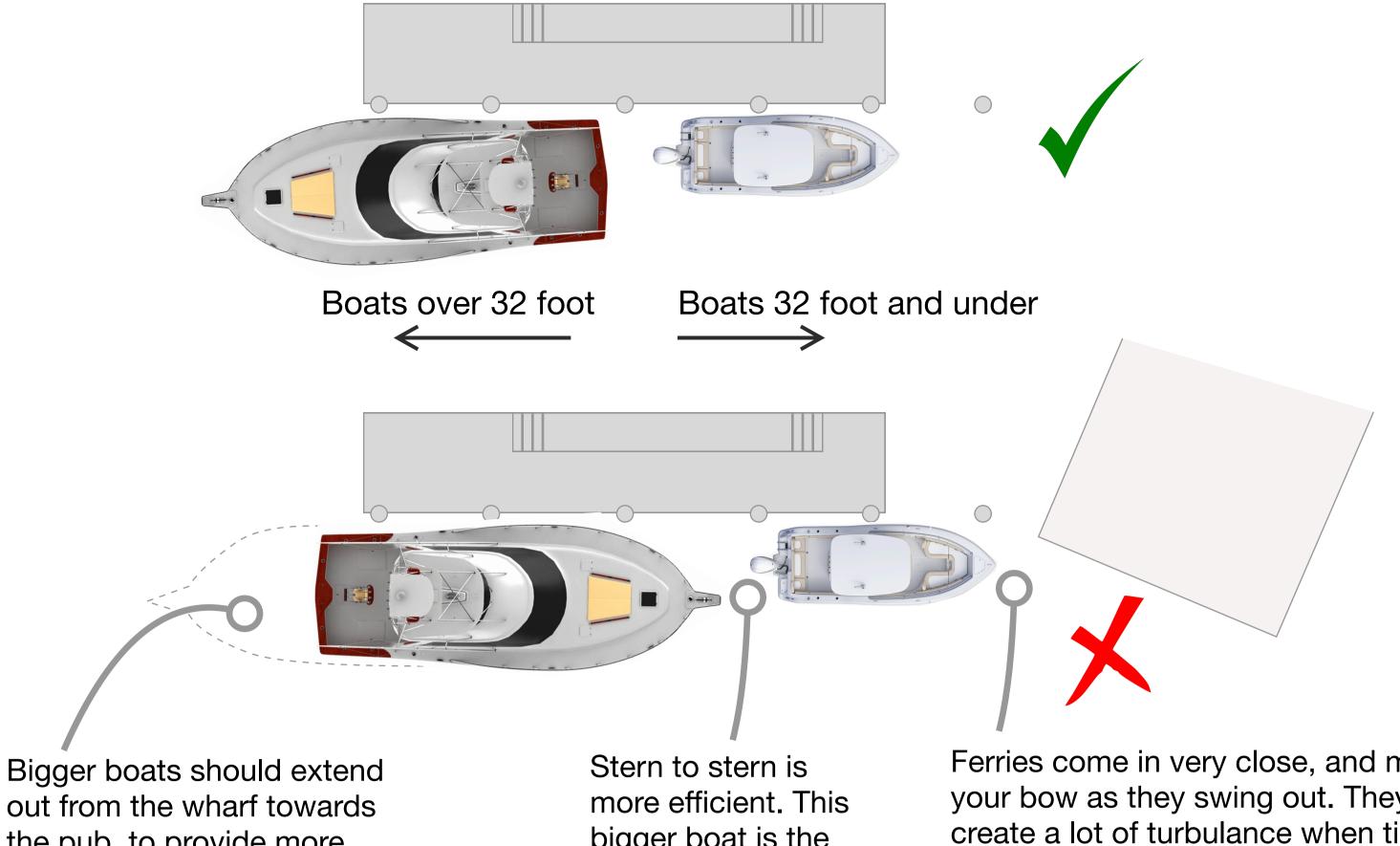
SGFC wharf etiquette

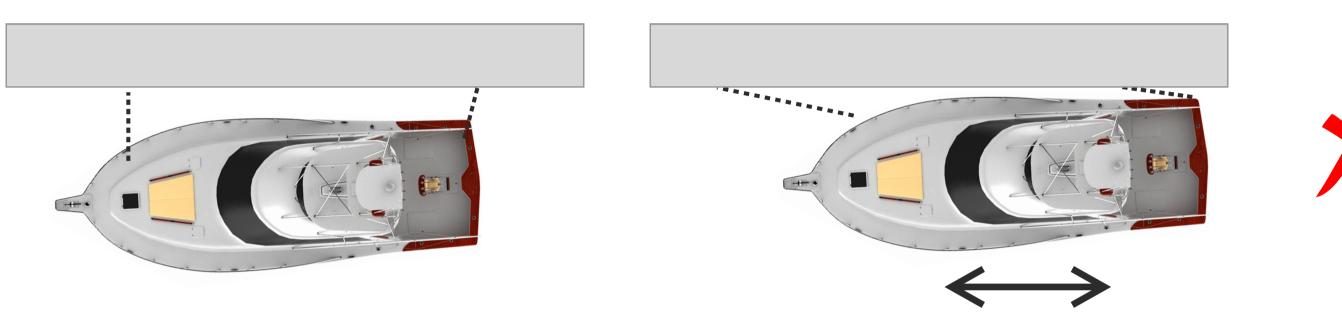
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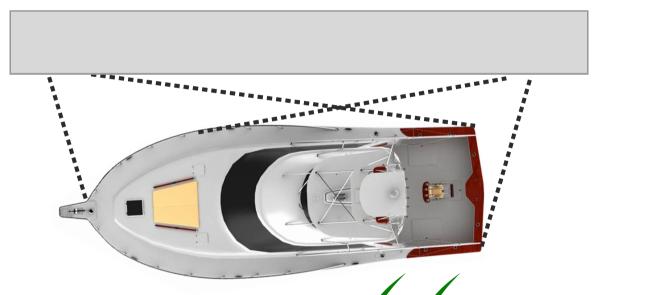
the pub, to provide more space. Bow facing the other way

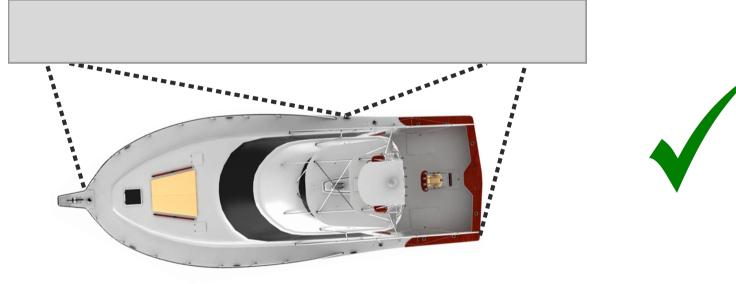
bigger boat is the wrong way around. Ferries come in very close, and may hit your bow as they swing out. They also create a lot of turbulance when tied up but engines on full thrust

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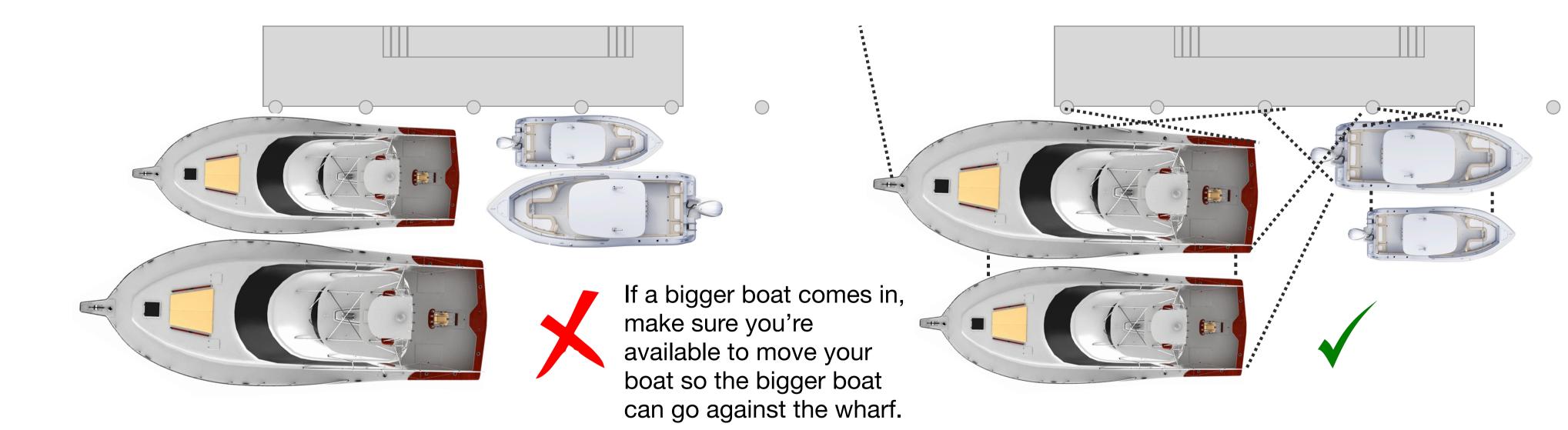
Tied like this, your boat will move back and forward potentially hitting the next boat as the tide height changes. This can even result in ripping out cleats if the line is too short and the boat starts getting pulled out of the water at low tide.





The longer stringer ropes prevent east west movement. Because of the length, as the tide drops they are better at keeping your boat in place. The bow and stern ropes stop the boat drifting north. They are also as long as possible.

Rafting up - bigger boats against the wharf, stern to stern



Don't forget

If you tie up to another boat, send them a message with your details, or write them up on the whiteboard

If a boat comes in with fish, they may need to unload or weigh. If your boat isn't a fishing boat, stick around so you can move it quickly

If you're not fishing, don't leave your boat there all weekend - we all need to use the berths.

If you see a boat coming in, offer to help them tie up. Especially when it's windy, this can be a challenge!

Come back and check your boat regularly - especially with strong winds or big tides.

If you do adjust someone's ropes, try to let them know so they are aware. And hopefully tie up better next time.



If your boat has outboards, leave them down in the water. Otherwise they can damage other boats.