

# Life Ring Locations on *Titanic's* Weather Decks

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## Introduction

This article will identify all life rings visible on *Titanic's* weather decks. As much as is possible, *Titanic* photos will be used. In one isolated case near the bridge, an early *Olympic* photo will be used. It has been found that pre-disaster *Titanic* and *Olympic* had life rings in the identical positions. All life rings on the starboard side of the ship are mirrored on the port side of the ship with the exception of the docking bridge. There are an equal number of life rings on both sides of the docking bridge but their locations are different due to the presence of the ladder to the docking bridge on its starboard side.

### Area #1 – Docking Bridge. Life rings #1-4

Figure 1 shows a photo of *Titanic's* docking bridge with life rings #1-4.



Figure 1

*Titanic's* docking bridge. Life rings #1-4

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Figure 2 shows plan and aft elevation views of *Titanic's* docking bridge. All life rings are mounted on the aft railing of the docking bridge. Life rings are indicated in red.

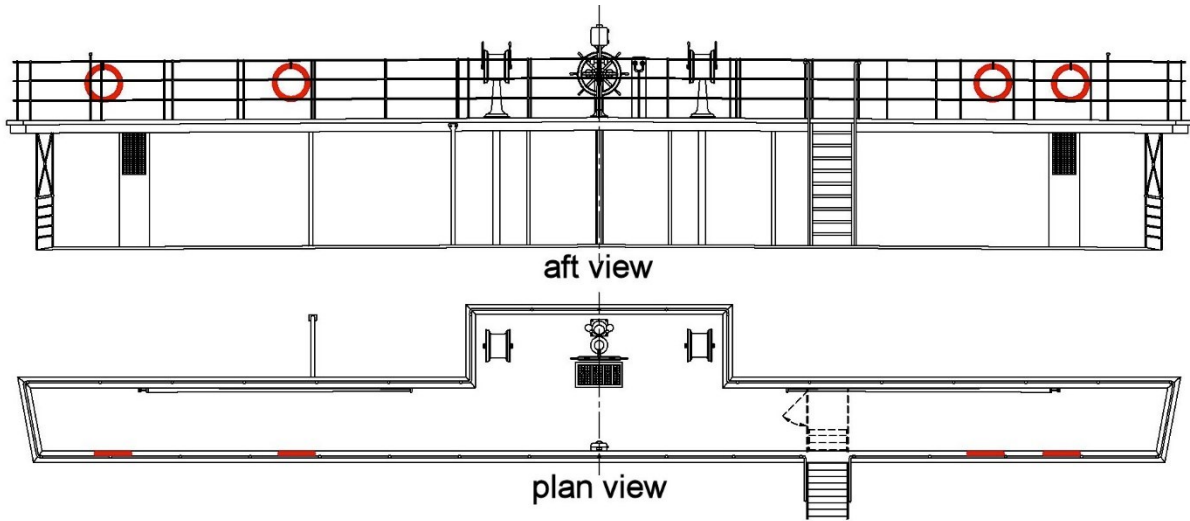


Figure 2

Plan and aft elevation views of *Titanic's* docking bridge

**Area #2 – Forward poop deck port and starboard, outboard. Life rings #5-6**

Figure 3 shows a photo of *Titanic's* forward, starboard poop deck and the starboard life ring indicated. The port life ring was placed in the same position.



Figure 3

*Titanic* photo showing starboard life ring on forward, starboard poop deck

Figure 4 shows the life ring on the starboard, forward poop deck. There is a life ring in the same position on the port side. The life ring is in red.

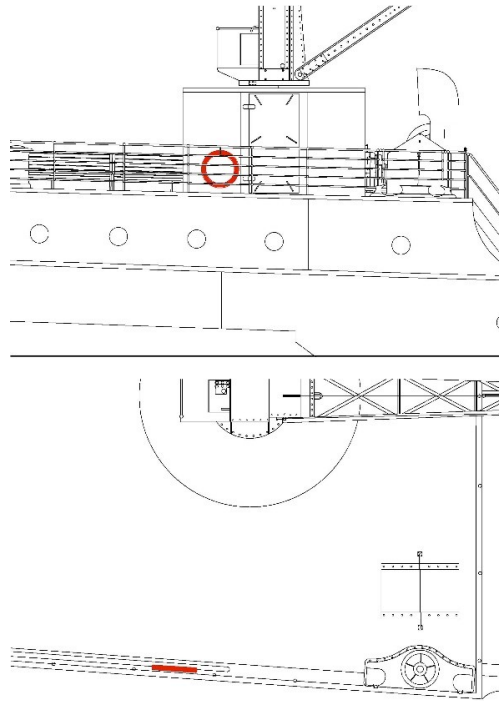


Figure 4

Life ring on forward, port side of *Titanic's* poop deck

**Area #3. Aft end of B deck on port and starboard sides. Life rings #7-10**

Figure 5 shows the starboard aft end of *Titanic's* B deck.

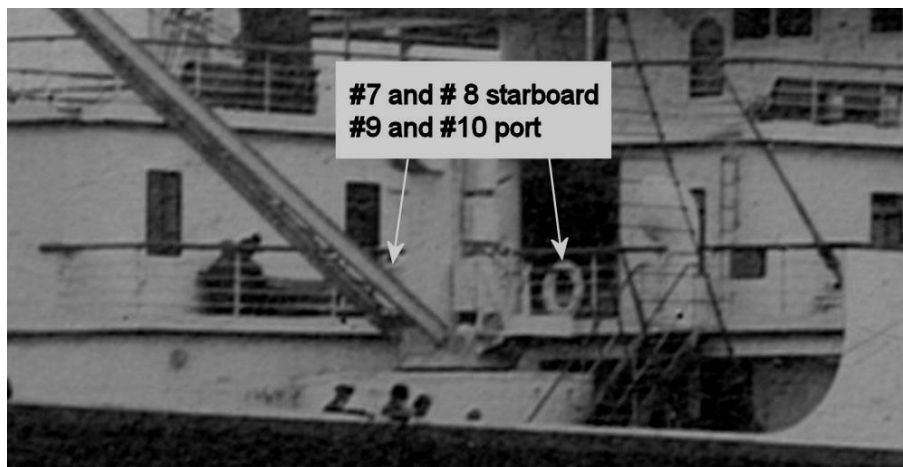


Figure 5

Aft end of *Titanic's* B deck, starboard side

Figure 6 shows plan and elevation views of *Titanic's* starboard, aft B deck. Life rings are in red. There are two life rings in the same positions on the port side.

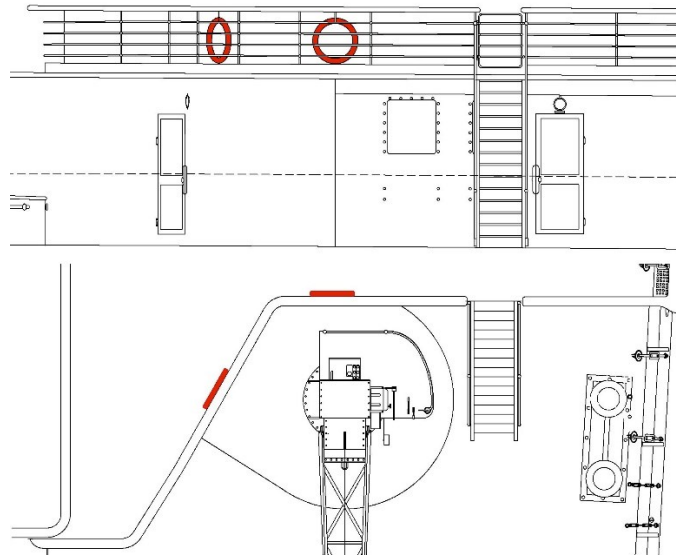


Figure 6

Aft, starboard end of *Titanic's* B deck

**Area #4 – Bulwark from wing cabs port and starboard outside the navigating bridge. Life rings #11-12**

Figure 7 shows the starboard bulwark from the wing cab outside early *Olympic's* navigating bridge. There is a life ring in the same position on the starboard side.



Figure 7

Life ring on bulwark from *Olympic's* starboard wing cab

Figure 8 shows a plan view of the life ring on the starboard bulwark from the wing cab on *Titanic*. Life ring is in red.

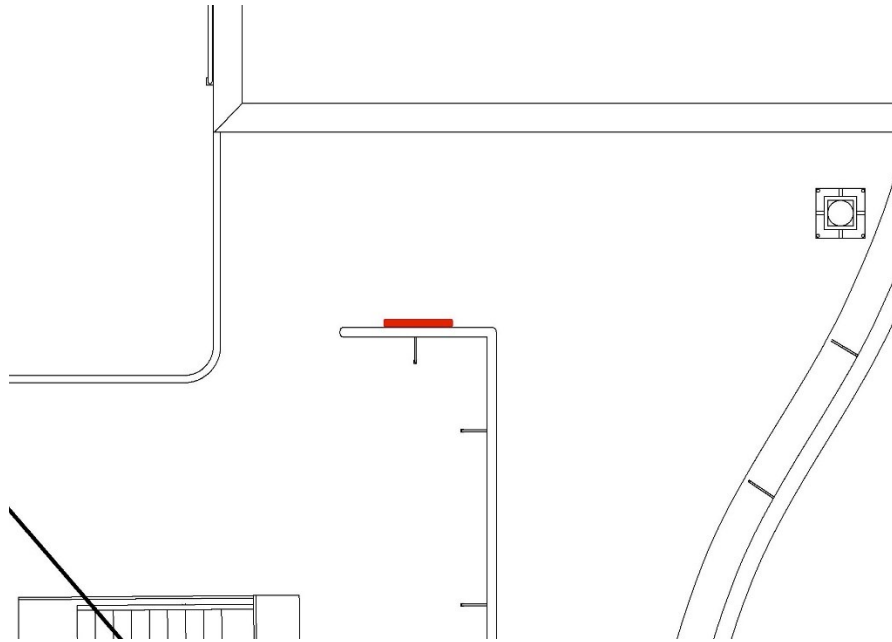


Figure 8

Plan view of life ring on *Titanic's* starboard from wing cab

## Conclusion

This article has demonstrated the locations of life rings visible on *Titanic's* weather decks. The locations are:

Docking bridge: Life rings #1-4

Forward poop deck: Life rings #5-6

Aft end of B deck: Life rings #7-10

Bulwark from wing cab outside navigating bridge: Life rings #11-12