



South African Maritime Safety Authority

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Reporting of oil spills and shipping casualties threatening pollution

TO SHIPOWNERS, SHIPS' AGENTS, MASTERS AND OTHER MARITIME INDUSTRY PARTICIPANTS, AND PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

Marine Notice No. 10 of 2012 is cancelled

Summary

The notice incorporates MARPOL reporting requirements and updated contact information for oil spill reporting.

POLICY

1 Since 1 October 1985 the Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEA&T) has been responsible for matters relating to the combating of oil pollution with the Department of Transport (DOT) retaining responsibility for prevention. This arrangement applied to functions in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Pollution of the Sea by Oil Act 6 of 1981 (as it was originally called).

2 With the establishment of the South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMS) on 1 April 1998, the administration of this Act [now called the Marine Pollution (Control and Civil Liability) Act 6 of 1981] was transferred to SAMS in terms of the South African Maritime Safety Authority Act 5 of 1998. However, section 52 of the latter Act continues DEA&T's responsibility for combating oil pollution.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

3 Article 8 and Protocol I of MARPOL 73/78 establishes reporting requirements for pollution incidents. Reports should contain as much of the following information as possible:

- name of the person reporting the incident;
- telephone number (work/home) or other means of contact;
- date and time of observation;
- details of observation;
- location (e.g. latitude and longitude or the position relative to the coastline);
- source and cause of pollution (e.g. name and type of vessel, collision or grounding);
- type and estimated quantity of oil spilled and the potential and probability of further pollution;
- weather and sea conditions;
- action taken or intended to respond to the incident.

REPORTING OF OIL SPILLS

4 SAMS, DEA (Department of environmental affairs) and Smit Amandla Marine (the managers of the standby tug "Smit Amandla") are all concerned with the prevention, containment and cleaning up of oil spills at sea. These organizations should be informed as soon as possible whenever there is an oil spill or a threat of an oil spill.

5 The "Telephone List for Oil Spill Reporting" in the Annex lists the relevant contact persons and their contact details.

PROCEDURE

6 Oil spills and threatened spills should be reported immediately to the nearest SAMSA Principal Officer, failing which (and in the following order) SAMSA's Regional Managers, SAMSA's Chief Executive Officer (CEO), any of the other listed SAMSA officials, the listed DEA officials, or the listed managers of Smit Amandla Marine.

7 For ships at sea, the South African coastal maritime radio stations will connect the responsible ship's officer to the South African Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC), which will alert the appropriate Principal Officer.

8 A ship in port can report to the duty officer in the control tower of the National Ports Authority, who will forward the communication to the Principal Officer of the port. Alternatively, the ship, or the ship's agent, can communicate directly with the Principal Officer.

9 The SAMSA official receiving the initial report will immediately place the organisation on alert by informing the responsible persons at DEA and Smit Amandla Marine. He or she will then inform SAMSA's Regional Manager about the incident and any action taken. The Regional Manager will inform higher authority, as appropriate, and, if necessary, activate SAMSA's Casualty Response Unit.

10 If for any reason the above procedure fails, any person in the organisations mentioned in paragraph 6 should carry forward the procedure by alerting other relevant persons and organisations.

11 Changes to the information in the Annex should be reported in writing to SAMSA at the address given below.

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**ANNEX
TELEPHONE LIST FOR OIL SPILL REPORTING**

The Principal Officer (PO) stationed closest to the incident should be the first contact.

Organisation/Location	Office	Fax	After hours	Cell
SAMSA EASTERN REGION. [KZN]				
Capt. Saroor ALI (RM)	(031) 307 3006	(031) 307 3086	(031) 2617919	071 686 9593
DURBAN OFFICE	DUTY SURVEYOR 072 364 4958			
Capt. W. LOBO (Act.PO)	(031) 307 1501	(031) 306 4983		082 449 6350
RICHARD'S BAY OFFICE				
Capt. Mladen BRKOVIC. (PO)	(035) 788 0068	(035) 788 0067		082 374 7942
SAMSA SOUTHERN REGION. [EASTERN CAPE]				
Capt. Peter KROON (Act. Reg. Man.)	(043) 722 4120	(043) 722 2264	(043) 726 5857	082 445 3166
PORT ELIZABETH OFFICE	DUTY SURVEYOR 079 537 4276			
Capt. Daron BURGESS (PO)	(041) 585 0051	(041) 582 1213		082 374 7942
PORT OF NGQURA				
Mr B COLENUTT (PO)	079 512 1017		(041) 360 3744	082 445 3167
EAST LONDON OFFICE				
Capt. Peter KROON (PO)	(043) 722 4120	(043) 722 2264	(043) 726 5857	082 445 3166
MOSSEL BAY OFFICE				
Mr. Dave MANLEY (PO)	(044) 690 4201	(044) 691 1206	(044) 695 1844	082 477 1813
SAMSA WESTERN REGION [WESTERN CAPE]				
Capt. Dave COLLY (RM)	(021) 421 6170	(021) 419 0730		083 412 8861
CAPE TOWN OFFICE	DUTY SURVEYOR 076 133 7799			
Capt G Louw (PO)	(021) 421 6170	(021) 419 0730		071 608 8579
SALDANHA BAY OFFICE				
Mr. Martin SLABBER (PO)	(022) 714 1612	(022) 714 3635	(022) 714 1427	082 789 6764
PORT NOLLOTH OFFICE				
Mr. Justin CORAIZEN (PO)	(027) 851 7695	(027) 851 7699		082 386 2141
CENTRE FOR SEA WATCH [CAPE TOWN BASED.]				
Ms. Nontsindiso NTSHAZI	(021) 938 3316	(021) 938 3319		082 922 8395
Mr. Ravi NAICKER	(021) 938 3308	(021) 938 3319		082 768 8401
MRCC	(021) 938 3310	(021) 938 3319		
Capt. Karl OTTO (Exec. Man.)	(021) 938 3317	(021) 938 3334		082 812 2991
SAMSA HEAD OFFICE.				
PRETORIA	(012) 366 2600	(012) 366 2601		
Capt. Nigel. CAMPBELL. (Act. Exec. Head Centre of Ships)	(041) 582 2138	(041) 582 2130	(041) 368 7528	083 309 6053
Mr. T. MOKHELE (CEO)	(012) 366 2603	(012) 366 2601		
Mr. Sobantu TILAYI (Chief Ops. Off)	(012) 366 2624 dir.	(012) 366 2601		071 608 6480
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS [Marine & Coastal Pollution Management]				
CAPE TOWN.			-----@environment.gov.za	
Dr. Yazeed PETERSON (Dir)	(021) 819 2450	(021)- 819 2445	ypeterson----	083 530 3127
Ms. Ferosa ALBERTUS-STANLEY	(021) 819 2457	(021)- 819 2445	feroza---	072 173 6234
Mr. Mawonga MANDLENI	(021) 819 2471	(021) 819 2445	mmandleni--	071 722 0121
Ms. Phindile SABELA-RIKHOTSO	(021) 819 2506	(021) 819 2445	psrikhotso---	073 957 8228
SMIT AMANDLA MARINE (Pty.) Ltd.				
Ms. Nomkitha MBELE				079 699 4406
Mr. Dave MURRAY	(021) 507 5777	(021) 507 5885	(021) 797 2711	082 909 9948
Mr. Dave MAIN			(021) 794 6662	082 907 2775
Mr. Paul MACLONS				082 909 2013