



Advisory Circular

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Part 130A: Shipboard Marine Oil Spill Contingency Plans

1. General

1.1 Purpose of advisory circulars

Maritime New Zealand (MNZ) advisory circulars are designed to give assistance and explanations about the requirements set out in the marine protection rules. However, the advice in the circular should not be treated as a substitute for the rules themselves, which are the law.

This advisory circular supports the preparation of shipboard marine oil spill contingency plans in fulfilment of relevant Maritime Transport Act 1994 provisions and Part 130A of the marine protection rules.

1.2 Application

Part 130A requires oil tankers of 150 gross tons or more and other ships of 400 gross tons or more to have a shipboard oil pollution emergency plan in fulfilment of regulation 37 of Annex I of MARPOL.

The Part applies to New Zealand ships and ships of the New Zealand Defence Force. Foreign ships within New Zealand jurisdiction are required to have a plan that meets the MARPOL regulation.

2. Scope and purpose of shipboard plans

The purpose of a shipboard oil spill plan is to assist ship's personnel to take the necessary action to stop or minimise an unexpected discharge and to mitigate its effects.

Plans that are simple, realistic and easy to use will assist this purpose. Plans must be tailored to each ship, taking account of the type and size of ship, cargo, route and shore-based management structure.

The use of flowcharts or checklists to guide the master through the various actions and decisions required during an incident is recommended.

Extensive background information on the ship and cargo should be avoided. Where such information is relevant, it should be confined to annexes where it will not compromise the ability of ship's personnel to locate operative parts of the plan.

The plan must clearly indicate where current cargo, bunker and ballast information may be found.

It is emphasised that plans envisaged by regulation 37 of Annex I of MARPOL are intended to be simple documents.

3. Resources

Plan writers are referred to the following International Maritime Organization resource material when preparing plans¹:

- IMO resolution A.851(20) general principles for ship reporting systems and ship reporting requirements, including guidelines for reporting incidents involving dangerous goods, harmful substances and/or marine pollutants
- IMO publication *Provisions concerning Reporting of Incidents Involving Harmful Substances under MARPOL 73/78* (sales number IMO-516E)
- IMO Marine Environment Protection Committee resolution MEPC.54(32) as amended by resolution MEPC.86(44) guidelines for the development of shipboard oil pollution emergency plans.

In particular, resolution A.851(20) provides the necessary detail for the form of the initial report to the coastal state. This must be reflected in a prepared message form included or appended to the plan. Supplementary or follow-up reports should as far as possible use the same format.

4. Agencies' contact details

Plan writers should draw on the following contact details for sections on reporting discharges or probable discharges.

In the case of New Zealand, coastal state reports from ships outside the territorial sea must be made to the Director of Maritime New Zealand using the contacts detailed below.

4.1 Contact information for the Director of Maritime New Zealand

Rescue Coordination Centre of New Zealand

Email rcnz@maritimenz.govt.nz

Ph 04 577 8030

Fax: 04 577 8038

Radio

HF/MF

Station call sign: Taupo Maritime Radio
(Frequencies in kilo Hertz)

Voice calling	Voice working	DSC calling
2182	2207	No MF DSC
4125	4146	4207.5
6215	6224	6312.0
8291	8297	8414.5
12290	12356	12,577.0
16420	16531	16,804.5

¹ This material is available from www.imo.org or, in the case of the publication IMO-516E, from the New Zealand IMO publications agent, Transpacific Marine Limited, 29 Jellicoe Street, Auckland.

VHF

Call Maritime Radio on channel 16. Maritime Radio will advise working channel.

Inmarsat C:

582 451 200 067; Answer Back: MRNZ – X.

Where the discharge or probable discharge occurs in New Zealand internal waters or the territorial sea, reports must be made to either the appropriate regional council (contact details below) or the Director of Maritime New Zealand.

As a general rule, plans for ships operating exclusively or regularly on the New Zealand coast should include contact details for regional councils, which should be considered statutory bodies within the meaning of rule 130A.9(1)(a). For other ships, contact details for MNZ will suffice.

4.2 Contact information for regional council harbourmasters

Region/Ports	Council	Telecom contacts
Auckland	Auckland Regional Council	Email: harbourmaster@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz Ph: 09 362 0397 Mob: 021 481 585 Fax: 09 362 0399
Bay of Plenty • <i>Tauranga</i>	Environment Bay of Plenty	Email: harbourmaster@envbop.govt.nz Ph: 07 928 3328 Mob: 021 976 178 Fax: 07 928 3328
Canterbury • <i>Lyttelton</i> • <i>Timaru</i>	Environment Canterbury	Email: harbourmaster@ecan.govt.nz Ph: 03 3289168 Mob: 027 223 3826 Fax: 03 328 9158
Gisborne	Gisborne District Council	Email: charlie.jamieson@eastland.co.nz Ph: 06 868 1613 Mob: 021 222 0075 Fax: 06 868 1613
Hawke's Bay • <i>Napier</i>	Hawke's Bay Regional Council	Email: harbmaster@portofnapier.co.nz Ph: 06 833 4525 Mob: 027 445 5592 Fax: 06 833 4525

Region/Ports	Council	Telecom contacts
Malborough <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Picton</i> 	Malborough District Council	Email: harbours@marlborough.govt.nz Ph: 03 520 7400 Mob: 021 346 510 Fax: 03 520 3203
Nelson	Nelson City Council	Email: harbourmaster@portnelson.co.nz Ph: 03 548 2099 Ph: 03 539 3891 Mob: 027 443 6165 Mob: 027 4438 467 Fax: 03 548 9407
Northland <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Whangarei</i> • <i>Marsden Point</i> • <i>Opua</i> 	Northland Regional Council Deputy Harbourmaster	<i>Regional Harbourmaster</i> Email: mailroom@nrc.govt.nz Ph: 09 438 4639 Mob: 0274 824 972 Fax: 09 438 0012 <i>Deputy Harbourmaster</i> Email mailroom@nrc.govt.nz Ph: 09 402 7516 Mob: 0274 343 571 Fax: 09 402 7510
Otago <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Port Chalmers</i> • <i>Dunedin</i> 	Otago Regional Council	Email: jeff.donaldson@orc.govt.nz Ph: 03 474 0827 Ph: 03 479 6487 Mob: 026 241 2031 Fax: 03 479 0015
Southland <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Bluff</i> 	Environment Southland	Email: kevin.osullivan@es.govt.nz Ph: 03 211 5115 Mob: 021 784 968 Fax: 03 211 5252
Taranaki <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>New Plymouth</i> 	Taranaki Regional Council	Email: jireland@porttaranaki.co.nz Ph: 06 751 0200 Mob: 0274 43 7505 Fax: 06 751 0886

Region/Ports	Council	Telecom contacts
Tasman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Tarakohe</i> 	Tasman District Council	Email: harbourmaster@tdc.govt.nz Ph: 03 543 8433 Mob: 027 246 1904 Fax: 03 543 9524 <i>Port Golden Bay (Tarakohe Harbour)</i> Email: portgoldenbay@portgoldenbay.co.nz Ph: 03 525 8174 Mob: 0274 463 891 Fax: 03 525 8174
Wanganui	Horizons Regional Council	Ph: 06 344 7684 Mob: 0274 425 489 Fax: 06 344 7524

4.3 Contact information for other states

Writers of plans for New Zealand ship trading to foreign ports should refer to the International Maritime Organization list of national operational contact points responsible for the receipt, transmission and processing of urgent reports on incidents involving harmful substances, including oil from ships to coastal states. This list is available from www.imo.org (select 'Circulars/Contact Points' or 'National Contacts/Contact Points' on the left hand side of the IMO homepage). Some of this information is also available on the Global International Shipping Information System (gisis.imo.org/).

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