



# 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.14 of 2014 is cancelled*

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#### *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 African Marine Solution (Pty) Ltd AMSOL (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 <sup>1</sup>African Marine Solution (Pty) Ltd AMSOL.

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 AMSOL. 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.

<sup>1</sup> AMSOL [African Marine Solutions] was previously known as Smit Amandla Marine.

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**ANNEX**  
**TELEPHONE LIST FOR OIL SPILL REPORTING**

**The Principal Officer stationed closest to the incident should be the first contact.**

Organisation/Location	Office	Fax	After hours	Cell / Mobile
<b>SAMSA EASTERN REGION. [Kwa-Zulu Natal]</b>				
Capt. Saroor ALI (RM)	(031) 307 3006	(031) 307 3086	(031) 2617919	071 686 9593
<b>DURBAN OFFICE DUTY SURVEYOR 076 133 7799</b>				
Capt. Hopewell MKHIZE. (PO)	(031) 307 1501	(031) 306 4983	➔	072 744 4555
<b>RICHARD'S BAY OFFICE</b>				
Capt. Winston LOBO (PO)	(035) 788 0068	(035) 788 0067	➔	071 686 9652
<i>RM = Regional Manager. PO = Principal Officer. Act. = Acting Position. Exec. Ops. Man. = Executive Operations Manager.</i>				
<b>SAMSA SOUTHERN REGION. [EASTERN CAPE]</b>				
Ms Bongiwe STOFIE (Act. Reg. Man.)	(041) 582 2138	(041) 582 2130	➔	082 384 2273
Capt. Daron BURGESS (Tech Advisor.)	(041) 582 2138	(041) 582 2130	➔	082 374 7942
<b>PORT ELIZABETH OFFICE DUTY SURVEYOR 079 537 4276</b>				
Capt Neville NOBLE (PO)	(041) 585 0051	(041) 582 1213	➔	073 608 1377
<b>PORT OF NGQURA</b>				
Capt Ian RENDERS (PO)	079 512 1017	Nil	➔	074 588 8060
<b>EAST LONDON OFFICE</b>				
Capt Tobela GQABU (PO)	(043) 722 4120	(043) 722 2264	➔	082 768 4155
<b>MOSSEL BAY OFFICE</b>				
Mr. Vuyani PENI (PO)	(044) 690 4201	(044) 691 1206	➔	074 5888 250
<b>SAMSA WESTERN REGION [WESTERN CAPE]</b>				
Capt G Louw (RM)	(021) 421 6170	(021) 419 0730	➔	071 608 8579
<b>CAPE TOWN OFFICE DUTY SURVEYOR 072 364 4958</b>				
Capt. Antoinette KELLER (Act PO)	(021) 421 6170	(021) 419 0730	➔	083 790 6198
<b>SALDANHA BAY OFFICE DUTY SURVEYOR 076 077 7467</b>				
Mr. Martin SLABBER (PO)	(022) 714 1612	(022) 714 3635	➔	082 789 6764
<b>PORT NOLLOTH OFFICE</b>				
Mr. Justin CORAZIN (Act PO)	(027) 851 7695	(027) 851 7699	➔	082 386 2141
<b>CENTRE FOR SEA WATCH AND RESPONSE [CAPE TOWN BASED.]</b>				
Capt. Karl OTTO (Exec. Head - CSWR)	(021) 938 3317	(021) 938 3334	➔	082 812 2991
Capt. Ravi NAICKER (Nat. Ops. Man.)	(021) 938 3310	(021) 938 3319	(021) 529 0415	082 768 8401
Mr Jared BLOWS (MRCC Chief)	(021) 938 3321	(021) 938 3319	➔	071 608 8621
<b>MRCC</b>	(021) 938 3300	(021) 938 3309		
<b>SAMSA HEAD OFFICE.</b>				
<b>PRETORIA</b>	(012) 366 2600	(012) 366 2601		
Capt. Nigel. CAMPBELL. (Exec. Head - Centre for Ships)	(041) 582 2138	(041) 582 2130	➔	072 635 4207
<i>Exec. = Executive.</i>				
<b>DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS [Marine &amp; Coastal Pollution Management]</b>				
<b>CAPE TOWN.</b>			-----@environment.gov.za	
Dr. Yazeed PETERSON (D)	(021) 819 2450	(021)- 819 2445	ypeterson----	083 530 3127
Ms. Feroza ALBERTUS-STANLEY (CEO Gr B)	(021) 819 2457	(021)- 819 2445	falbertus----	072 173 6234
Mr. Ulric VAN BLOEMESTEIN (CEO Gr A)	(021) 819 2456		uvbloem-----	084 421 6606
Mr. Teboho NTJE Pollut. Equip. Store	(021) 510 3957	(021) 510 3957	tntje---	078 200 8442
<i>D = Director</i>				
<b>AFRICAN MARINE SOLUTION (PTY) LTD AMSOL</b>				
Capt Dave MURRAY	(021) 507 5777	(021) 507 5885	(021) 797 2711	082 909 9948
Mr. Dave MAIN	(021) 507 5777	(021) 507 5885	(021) 794 6662	082 907 2775
Mr. Paul MACLONS	(021) 507 5777	(021) 507 5885		082 909 2013

Additional information pertaining to **OIL SPILL REPORTING**. The South African Navy Hydrographer's Office. **Web Address:- [www.sanho.co.za](http://www.sanho.co.za)**

- a) **Notice to Mariners;** Noting Notice No 5 of each year Regulations for the Navigation of LADEN TANKERS.  
Notice No 6 of each year Oil Pollution - Observations and Reporting.  
Notice No 7 of each year Storm Warnings to Shipping.  
Notice No 26 of each year Merchant Shipping (Maritime Security) Regulations.  
Notice No 27 of each year SA Southern Continental Shelf Special Area

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