Regional Marine Pollution Emergency Response Centre for the Mediterranean Sea (REMPEC)

Albania



Country information

Capital	Tirana
Languages	Albanian
Main Ports	Durres
Additional Ports	Vlore, Saranda, Shengjin
Coastline (km)	429.0
Production (bbl/day)	5985.0
Exportation (bbl/day)	748.9
Imports (bbl/day)	24080.0
Fuel type	Main production: Condensate Oil (light)
Offshore Production	☐

Contact list

In order to access to all contact details of government officials, focal points are invited to log in on the website with their credentials

Conventions

Approved

Regional Convention

Legal Instrument	Ratification	Implementation Transposition of the international intrument in the national legislation
Barcelona Convention	30/05/1990	
Emergency Protocol, 1976	30/05/1990	

International Convention

Legal Instrument	Ratification	Implementation Transposition of the international intrument in the national legislation
OPRC, 1990	02/01/2008	
OPRC-HNS Protocol, 2000	19/01/2015	
CLC 1992	30/06/2005	
FUND 1992	30/06/2005	
Bunker Convention, 2001	30/07/2010	
LLMC Protocol 96	07/06/2004	
Wreck Removal Convention, 2007	27/04/2015	
LLMC 1976	07/06/2004	
SALVAGE 1989	14/06/2006	
Offshore Protocol	26/07/2001	

Unapproved

Regional Convention

Prevention and emergency protocol, 2002

International Convention

1996 HNS Convention

INTERVENTION Protocol 1973

INTERVENTION 1969

FUND Protocol 2003

SCP CEG

National & regional system - National & regional plan

National contingency plan

Approved	Drafted	Under preparation	None	Supported by REMPEC	Date
☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	25/07/2012
Test type					
Test frequency					
Relevant national legislation adopting the plan	Decision No 480 of the Council of Ministers				
The plan maintenance	Inter-agency Maritime Operational Centre (IMOC)				
Implementing the plan	Inter-agency Maritime Operational Centre (IMOC)				

Subregional Agreements

National & regional system - response strategy

Monitoring and Evaluation

Satellite image	
Aerial surveillance	
Naval surveillance	☑ Note : “Project of a monitoring network in the marine waters of the South Adriatic Sea” has been carried out in 2000-2001 by CoNISMa, an Italian institution, involving 25 universities
Forecasting models	

Response at sea

Use of dispersant	
Aerial surveillance	
Related Legislation	
Delimitation zones for the use of dispersants	
Authority in charge of authorisation identified	
Dispersant testing procedures	
List of approved products	
List of competent laboratories authorized	
Containment and recovery	
In situ burning	

Shoreline protection and cleanup

Shoreline protection	
Shoreline cleanup	

Comunication

Operation activities	
Government/Industry relation	
Public relation	
Media relation	☑

Waste management

National policy regarding oily waste	
Treatment/disposal facilities/solutions	

Experts

Integration of international experts in the coordination body	

Claims

Claims legal basis at national level	
Claims included in the contingency plan	
National structure dealing with claims	

Volunteers management

Volunteers management considered in the plan	

Faune protection

Measures for faune protection (Protected species and other marine fauna)	

Expertise

Preparedness

		Expert and training Centres
Sensitivity mapping	☐ Oil ☐ Chemicals	
Risk assessment	☑ Oil ☑ Chemicals	
Contingency planning	☐ Oil ☐ Chemicals	
Training of personnel	☑ Oil ☑ Chemicals	Ministry of Public Works ,Transport and Communication

Response

	Expert and training Centres
Fire fighting	☑ Ministry of Public Works ,Transport and Communication
Response to oil spills at sea	
Response to oil on shore	
Response to spills/releases of HNS	
Recovery of lost Packages of HNS	
Aerial Surveillance	
Satellite images	
Overall emergency management	☑ Ministry of Public Works ,Transport and Communication
Shoreline decontamination	
Modelling and forecasting	
Impact - Wildlife and birds	Ministry of Public Works ,Transport and Communication
Impact - Fisheries/fish farming	
Accident site restoration (oil)	
Accident site restoration (chemicals)	

Expertise and services

Trans-Boundary arrangements

Provider

To whom the request has to be addressed	
Full name of the institution	
Department or position	
Address (number, street, city)	
Telephone (24 hours a day)	
Telefax	
Working hours	
E-mail	

Boundary

To whom the request has to be addressed	
Financial conditions for expert services	
Restrictions (visa, etc.) concerning travel to any Mediterranean country? If yes, please indicate which countries	
Financial and other conditions (transportation, etc.) for making the equipment or product available to a requesting party	
Location of equipment and products and nearest port or airport (city/port, city/airport)	

Training and follow-up

REMPEC Focal points meeting

Year	Representative	Ministry/Department/Division
2007	Mr. Arben Maloku, Specialist/Maritime Transport Directorate	Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunication
2005	Mr. Arben Maloku, Specialist/Maritime Transport Directorate	Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunication
2003	Mr. Arben Maloku, Specialist/Maritime Transport Directorate	Ministry of Transport and Telecommunication
2009	Mr. Sokol Kapidani, Director of Maritime Transport Policy	Ministry of Public, Works, Transport and Telecommunication
2009	Mr. Domi Hamdi, Vice General Harbour Master	Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunication
2003	Ms. Gentiana Hasko, Director of Legislation and Foreign Relations	Ministry of Environment of Albania
2000	Mr. Arben Maloku,Specialist - Directorate of Maritime Transport	Ministry of Transport
2011	Ms Edesa Metaj, Specialist	Ministry of Public Works and Transport

Regional activities

Date	Activity name	Country participant name
11/2000	Regional Training Course, Naples, Italy, 6-10 Nov. 2000	MEDEXPOL 2000 – Regional Seminar for Government Administrators and Senior Managers (on Accidental Marine Pollution preparedness and response)
03/2000	Regional Training Course In Brest, France 21-25 March 2000	MEDEXPOL 99/2 Regional Training Course on New Techniques for Shoreline Pollution (Oil/Chemical) Clean-up
12/2001	Regional Training Course, Genoa, Italy, 10-14 Dec. 2001	MEDEXPOL 2001 – Regional Training Course on Prevention, Preparedness and Response to accidents involving hazardous substances at ship-shore interface
10/2002	Regional Seminar – St George's Bay, Malta, 29 Oct. -2 Nov. 2002	MEDIPOL 2002 - Regional Seminar on response to Oil and Chemical spills for Governments Administrators and senior Managers
10/2003	Workshop – Toulon, France, 2 – 4 Oct. 2003	MEDIPOL 2003 – European Workshop on Satellite Imagery and illicit oil spills in Europe and in the Mediterranean and Field activities in Rognac, Marseilles
12/2003	Regional Workshop – Malta, 11-13 Dec. 2003	MARPOL Annex I Workshop – Regional Workshop on the Implementation of MARPOL 73/78 Annex I in the Mediterranean region
12/2004	Regional Alert Exercise – Dec. 2004	Regional Alert Exercise MEDIPOLEX 2004, organized in close collaboration with the national Focal Point of Cyprus, held on 7-8 Dec. 2004.
11/2004	Regional Seminar - Malta, 24 – 26 November 2004	Regional Seminar on Port Reception Facilities for Collecting Ship-Generated Garbage, Bilge Waters and Oily Wastes in the Mediterranean.
11/2007	Regional Seminar – 27 – 30 Nov. 2007, Marseilles, France	MEDEXPOL 2007 - Regional Seminar on Illicit Discharges from Ships and Prosecution of Offenders

Date	Activity name	Country participant name
04/2008	Introductory Training Course	Introductory Training Course on Ballast Water Management, 14-18 April, Alexandria, Egypt

National activities

Date	Activity name
11/2003	National Seminar on preparedness and response to accidental marine pollution for Government Administrators and Senior Managers – Durres, Albania, 24-26 Nov. 2003
12/2006	National Training Course on Preparedness and Response to marine Pollution for Government Administrators and Senior Managers – Durres, Albania, 13-15 Dec. 2006
12/2006	Meeting between the Head of Department, Policy of Maritime Transport, Ministry of Transport and Telecommunication and REMPEC, 14 December 2006
10/2006	National Training Course on the MARPOL Convention, Durres, Albania, 25-27 Oct. 2006
09/2010	Field Mission for the Finalization of the National Contingency Plan of Albania

Prevention

Internation Conventions of prevention

Approved

Legal Instrument	Ratification	Implementation Transposition of the international intrument in the national legislation
SOLAS 74	07/06/2004	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS 1974)
SOLAS Protocol 78	07/06/2004	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the Protocol of the year 78 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS Protocol 78)
Load Line 1966	30/05/2003	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966
TONNAGE 69	03/04/2003	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969 (Tonnage 1969)
COLREG 72	15/04/2004	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collision at Sea, 1972 (COLREG 1972)
STCW 78	20/03/2002	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention on Standard of Training, Certification and Watch keeping for Seafarers, 1978 (STCW 1978)
UNCLOS	23/06/2003	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the United Nations Convention On the Law of the Sea

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BWM 2004	15/01/2009	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004 (BWM 2004)
MARPOL Annex I & Annex II	09/01/2007	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as amended by the 1978 Protocol relating thereto (MARPOL 73/78) Annex I; II; III; IV and V
MARPOL Annex III	09/01/2007	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as amended by the 1978 Protocol relating thereto (MARPOL 73/78) Annex I; II; III; IV and V
MARPOL Annex IV	09/01/2007	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as amended by the 1978 Protocol relating thereto (MARPOL 73/78) Annex I; II; III; IV and V
MARPOL Annex V	09/01/2007	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherance of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as amended by the 1978 Protocol relating thereto (MARPOL 73/78) Annex I; II; III; IV and V
MARPOL Annex VI	19/11/2020	

Unapproved

Legal Instrument	Implementation Transposition of the international intrument in the national legislation
LC 1972	
LC Protocol 1996	
AFS 2001	
SOLAS Protocol 88	
Load Line Protocol 1988	
SCP B&H-CRO	

Sanctions for violations

The Administration has the necessary national laws in force to ensure the provision of sanctions of adequate severity to discourage violation of international instruments to which the State is a Party	☐
If yes, how are violations followed up and what are the sanctions (for example, type of fines) imposed?	

Ship inspections

Periodic inspections of own ships	
The Administration has the necessary national laws in force to provide for ship inspections, and detaining, to ensure compliance with international maritime safety and pollution prevention standards, to which the State is a Party	☐
If yes, how many number of ships are inspected annually and how many of these have resulted in detaining the ship?	
Number of ships detained by PSC in the last 3 years	
Number of ships detained under the Med MoU	14
Number of ships detained under the Paris MoU	
Number of ships detained under the Tokyo MoU	
Number of ships detained under the USCG	
Port State Control Inspections	
Port State Control Inspections are carried out in your ports	☐
If yes, how many PSC inspections are carried out annually?	
Delegation of Authority to Recognised Organizations (ROs)	
The Administration has the necessary national laws, including necessary Agreements, in force to delegate authority to ROs	☐
What procedures are in place to monitor the work of the ROs?	
Provide list of ROs to whom delegation of authority is granted through such an Agreement.	Albanian Register of Shipping

Casuality investigations

The Administration has the necessary national laws in force to carry out the required casualty investigations	☑
Number of reported groundings in the last 3 years	
Number of reported collisions in the last 3 years	
Number of reported casualties resulting in pollution incidents in the last 3 years	

MARPOL implementation

MARPOL Infringements	
The Administration has the necessary national laws in force to ensure the provision of sanctions of adequate severity with respect to MARPOL infringements	☐
If yes, how are infringements followed up and what are the sanctions imposed?	

Port Reception Facilities

Port	MARPOL Annex I	MARPOL Annex II	MARPOL Annex IV	MARPOL Annex V	MARPOL Annex VI
Durres	●		●	●	

Port Reception Facilities

Port	MARPOL Annex I	MARPOL Annex II	MARPOL Annex IV	MARPOL Annex V	MARPOL Annex VI
Vlore	●		●	●	
Shengjin	●			●	
Sarande	●			●	

Surveillance of coastal waters	
Surveillance of the waters under your jurisdiction is carried out	☑
If yes, what are the methods and resources available to carry out such surveillance?	According to the law, Surveillance of Albanian waters is carried out by Albanian Coast Guard by patrolling the waters. The Coast Guard has a number of small ships for doing that.

Resources

Organigramme	
Number of Offices, non-technical, technical staff	
Head Office (provide full address and contact details)	Office of non – technical staff: Directory of Maritime Transport Policies, Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunication, Tirana-Albania, Square “Skenderbeg”, No. 5 Contact details Sokol Kapidani; Director ++ 355 4 2 25 70 28.
Number of other Offices (provide full address and contact details of all offices)	Two offices of technical staff: a) General Harbour Master; Lagja No.1; “Rruga Tregtare”; Durres; Tel: ++ 355 52 22 22 68 Contakt details: Edmond Doraci General harbour Master. b) Albanian Shipping Register; Lagja No.1; “Rruga Tregtare”; Durres;Tel ++ 355 52 22 27 97 Contact details: Artur Ajazi, Director of Albanian Shipping Register. 14 other offices
Number of non-technical staff	4
Number of technical Staff	10
Number of Inspectors (Flag State Surveyors and Port State Inspectors)	4 Flag State Surveyors, no Port State Inspectors
Number of flag State Casualty Investigators	5 Investigators