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

Egypt



Country information

Capital	Cairo
Languages	Arabic, English
Main Ports	Alexandria
Additional Ports	Dekhelia, Damietta
Coastline (km)	2450.0
Production (bbl/day)	630600.0
Exportation (bbl/day)	155200.0
Imports (bbl/day)	146200.0
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	24/08/1978	☑
Emergency Protocol, 1976	24/08/1978	

International Convention

Legal Instrument	Ratification	Implementation Transposition of the international intrument in the national legislation
OPRC, 1990	29/06/1992	☑ Law n° 4 of 1994, promulgating the environment law was adopted after the ratification of the OPRC Convention on the 29 July 1992. This environmental law does not make specific references to the OPRC Convention but establishes the EEAA
OPRC-HNS Protocol, 2000	26/05/2004	
CLC 1992	21/04/1995	Refererence made in Art. 59 and 79 - Law 1994
Bunker Convention, 2001	24/03/2009	
LLMC 1976	30/03/1988	
SALVAGE 1989	14/03/1991	
INTERVENTION Protocol 1973	03/02/1989	
INTERVENTION 1969	03/02/1989	

Unapproved

Regional Convention

Prevention and emergency protocol, 2002

International Convention

FUND 1992

1996 HNS Convention

LLMC Protocol 96

Wreck Removal Convention, 2007

FUND Protocol 2003

Offshore Protocol

SCP CEG

National & regional system - National & regional plan

National contingency plan

Approved	Drafted	Under preparation	None	Supported by REMPEC	Date
☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	01/01/1998

Test type	Exercises
Test frequency	Communication Exercise: - Once every 2 years; Full Scale Exercise: Once every year
Relevant national legislation adopting the plan	Law Number 4 of 1994 updated with Law No. 9 of 2009
The plan maintenance	Egyptian Environment Affairs Agency (EEAA)
Implementing the plan	

Subregional Agreements

National & regional system - response strategy

Monitoring and Evaluation

Satellite image	☑ Images provided by the National Authority for Remote Sensing & Space Science (NARSS) and use of Google Earth images for certain response operation
Aerial surveillance	☑ Military & Petroleum Air Services (PAS) equipment (only visual observation)
Naval surveillance	☑ Navy in Liaison with EEAA
Forecasting models	☑ Meteorological simulation model MM5V3

Response at sea

Use of dispersant	☑ See Annex
Aerial surveillance	☑ Usually not used, only when mechanical containment and recovery not possible or sensitive ressources are threatened. (Part B-Chap 3 NOSCP)
Related Legislation	No Law is in place but reflected in the NOSCP
Delimitation zones for the use of dispersants	☑ Clear delimination of areas prohibited and areas requiring the approval of EEAA. GIS System available at EEAA. (Part B – Chap 3 – 7.4)
Authority in charge of authorisation identified	Egyptian Environment Affairs Agency (EEAA)
Dispersant testing procedures	☑ Procedure in development by EEAA (test, pre-authorisation) expected for 2009
List of approved products	☑ 3 products are approved. The list will be updated following the development of the procedure and will be communicated to REMPEC when available.
List of competent laboratories authorized	☑ National Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries (NIOF) – Mediterranean Branch, Alexandria. 2 Competent laboratories will be used in the new procedure to compare test and decide. The laboratories will be NIOF and the National Research Inistitute.
Containment and recovery	☑ EEAA in charge of the response can use any equipment available in the country: EGPC, Petroleum Industry, Navy, EEAA equipment
In situ burning	Detail in Section 5

Shoreline protection and cleanup

Shoreline protection	☑ EEAA in charge of the response can use any equipment available in the country: EGPC, Petroleum Industry, Navy, EEAA equipment.
Shoreline cleanup	☑ EEAA in charge of the response can use any equipment available in the country: EGPC, Petroleum Industry, Navy, EEAA equipment.

Comunication

Operation activities	☑ Part A3 and Part B9
Government/Industry relation	☑ Notification Procedure Part A3 Operation Communication Part B9 Petroleum sector and EGPC liaise with EEAA
Public relation	☑ Part A9 and B11
Media relation	☑ Part A9 and B11

Waste management

National policy regarding oily waste	☑ Law NO. 4/94, Law NO. 9/2009 Referred in Chapter B6 of the National Contingency
Treatment/disposal facilities/solutions	☑ Petrotrid - Solid: 1) Area identify by EEAA for dumping. 2) Burning in Cement Factory (agreement with EEAA)

Experts

Integration of international experts in the coordination body	☑ In case of need would call upon expert from the sub-regional agreement or REMPEC, PERSGA. ITOPF has already worked with EEAA in several spills.

Claims

Claims legal basis at national level	☑ Article 14 Law N.4 1994
Claims included in the contingency plan	☑ Annex B12 of National Oil Spill Contingency Plan
National structure dealing with claims	☑ Part B - Capt.12 – Environment Protection Funds available in case of emergency.

Volunteers management

Volunteers management considered in the plan	protectorates. Experience with Volunteers/NGO. Use local power (paid) to carry out non technical cleaning. Groups are formed and supervise by a specialised team leader. This issue may be included in the update of the NOSCP

Faune protection

Measures for faune protection (Protected species and other marine fauna)	☑ Identified in the sensitivity maps: biological sensitivity priority ranked Part A – Chap 8 Combating strategy Part A – Chapt. 12 Protectorate in relation with NGOs for bird cleaning. (Click on the link to access the Sea Alarm Country Profile sheet providing information on wildlife protection in this country)

Expertise

Preparedness

		Expert and training Centres
Sensitivity mapping	☑ Oil ☐ Chemicals	Ahmed Shetta - EEAA
Risk assessment	☑ Oil ☐ Chemicals	Expert name available on request to EEAA
Contingency planning	☐ Oil ☐ Chemicals	
Training of personnel	☑ Oil ☐ Chemicals	EEAA and AASTMT

Response

	Expert and training Centres
Fire fighting	
Response to oil spills at sea	☑ Expert name available on request to EEAA
Response to oil on shore	☑ Expert name available on request to EEAA
Response to spills/releases of HNS	☑
Recovery of lost Packages of HNS	☑
Aerial Surveillance	☑ Expert name available on request to EEAA
Satellite images	☑ Expert name available on request to EEAA
Overall emergency management	☑ Expert name available on request to EEAA
Shoreline decontamination	☑ NORSS
Modelling and forecasting	☑ EEAA
Impact - Wildlife and birds	☑ EEAA- Department of Protectorate
Impact - Fisheries/fish farming	☑ EEAA- Coordinating with National Institute of Oceanography and Fishery
Accident site restoration (oil)	
Accident site restoration (chemicals)	

Expertise and services

Company Name	MARIDIVE & OIL SERVICES s.a.e. ADDRESS :
Address (number, street, city)	Cairo office: 32, Gol Gamal St., Dokki, 12411, Cairo - Egypt Alexandria office: 10, Ahmed Yehia St., Gleem, 21411, Alexandria - Egypt

Telephone (24 hours a day)	+20 2 3022993 (Cairo) / 3 5802899 (Alexandria)
Mobile	
Telefax	+20 2 3463380 (Cairo) / 3 5874668 (Alexandria)
E-mail	moscairo@rite.com ; maridive@alexcomm.net
Further details	OPERATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS ORDER FOR SERVICES SHOULD BE MADE TO : see above PREFERRED WAY OF COMMUNICATION : fax / telephone WORKING LANGUAGES : Arabic, English 24-HOUR SERVICE : Yes INTERVENTION (IN THE MEDITERRANEAN) IN LESS THAN: 24 hrs AREAS: Eastern part of Mediterranean Sea

Trans-Boundary arrangements

Provider

To whom the request has to be addressed	
Full name of the institution	Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency (EEAA)
Department or position	National Coordinator (G.M. Special Assignments and Environmental Disasters Management)
Address (number, street, city)	30 Misr Helwan El-Zyrae Rd., Maadi, Cairo
Telephone (24 hours a day)	+20 2 2525 6491-2
Telefax	+20 2 2525 6494
Working hours	24 hours a day
E-mail	Cor_eeaa@yahoo.com

Boundary

To whom the request has to be addressed	
Financial conditions for expert services	All expenses should be covered
Restrictions (visa, etc.) concerning travel to any Mediterranean country? If yes, please indicate which countries	Israel EU Countries (visa request 2 weeks in advance)
Financial and other conditions (transportation, etc.) for making the equipment or product available to a requesting party	Payment of equipment damage Equipment rent and expert made available could be billed In particular cases expertise might be offered
Location of equipment and products and nearest port or airport (city/port, city/airport)	- Alexandria (Alexandria Port/Airport) - Suez (Suez Port/Cairo Airport) - Ras Gharib (Suez port/ Cairo Airport) - Hurghada (Hurgada port or Safaga Port (60km from Hurghada/ Hurgada airport) - Sharm El Shiekh (Sharm El Shiekh Port/Airport)

Training and follow-up

REMPEC Focal points meeting

Year	Representative	Ministry/Department/Division
2009	Captain Mahmoud Ismail Mohamed, National Co-ordinator, N.O.S.C.P.	Egyprian Environmental Affairs Agency (EEAA)
2007	Captain Mahmoud Ismail Mohamed, National Co-ordinator, N.O.S.C.P.	Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency (EEAA0
2007	Mr. Tarek Shahin, General Director	Maritime Transport Sector
2000	Mr.Abdel Monem Hosny, Marine Pollution Consultant	Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency (EEAA)
2003	Mr.Essam El Din Rushdy, Head of Central Administration for Marine Protection	Ministry of Transport , Maritime Transport Sector
2003	Mr. Sameer Foud Nawar, General Manager of Security and Safety	Arab Petroleum Company “SUMED”
2005	Dr. Mohamed Borhan, Director General	Coastal and Marine Management Division, Egyptian Environment Affairs Agency (EEAA)
2005	Mr. Mohamed Marei, Director of Safety and Environment	Maritime Transport Sector, Ministry of Transport
2005	Mr. Mohamed Khalil, Second Secretary	Embassy of Egypt in Malta
2011	Mr Ahmed Kasem Kasem Sheta, Director of the Environmental Disasters Management	Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency (EEAA)
2011	Captain Mahmoud Ismail Mohammed ISMAIL Environment Crises & Disasters Management Consultant	Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency (EEAA)

Regional activities

Date	Activity name	Country participant name
03/2000	MEDEXPOL 99/2 Regional Training Course on New Techniques for Shoreline Pollution (Oil/Chemical) Clean-up - Brest, France 21-25 March 2000	Mr. Mohammed Ali Borhan, Egypt
11/2000	MEDEXPOL 2000 – Regional Seminar for Government Administrators and Senior Managers (on Accidental Marine Pollution preparedness and response) - Naples, Italy, 6-10 November. 2000	Mr. Ahmed K.K. Sheta, Egypt
05/2009	Regional Government and Industry Workshop on Cooperation, Preparedness for and Response to Oil Spills in the Mediterranean Sea - 11-12 May 2009, Marseille, France.	Captain Mahmoud Ismail, Mr. Rafik Abdel-Ghaffar, Egypt
12/2001	MEDEXPOL 2001 – Regional Training Course on Prevention, Preparedness and Response to accidents involving hazardous substances at ship-shore interface - Genoa, Italy, 10-14 December 2001	Captain Abdel Mon'em Hosny, Egypt
10/2002	MEDIPOL 2002 - Regional Seminar on response to Oil and Chemical spills for Governments Administrators and senior Managers - St George's Bay, Malta, 29 October - 2 November 2002	Captian Abdel Mon'em Hosny, Mr. Essam Roushdy, Egypt

Date	Activity name	Country participant name
10/2003	MEDIPOL 2003 – European Workshop on Satellite Imagery and illicit oil spills in Europe and in the Mediterranean and Field activities in Rognac, Marseilles - Toulon France, 2-4 October 2003	Mr. Ahmed Mostafa Abd El Khalek, Mr Ahmed Kasem Sheta, Mr. Kamal el Kazzaz, Egypt
12/2004	Regional Alert Exercise MEDIPOLEX 2004, organized in close collaboration with the national Focal Point of Cyprus, held on 7-8 December 2004.	All Contracting Parties participated
10/2005	MEDEXPOL 2005 – Regional Seminar on the use of Remote Sensing in Oil Pollution Control - Nicosia, Cyprus, 17-20 October 2005	Captain Mahmoud Ismail Mohamed, Mr Osama And El-Mon'em El Badawi, Mr. Tarik Shahin, Egypt
11/2007	MEDEXPOL 2007 - Regional Seminar on Illicit Discharges from Ships and Prosecution of Offenders - Marseille, France, 27-30 November 2007	Mr. Mohamed Elsayed Abd-Alsalem Osman, Mr. Maged Samir Hossam eldin Abd-Elsalam Molokhia, Egypt
01/2000	Exercise within the framework of the Subregional Contingency Plan (Cyprus-Egypt-Israel)	Cyprus, Egypt and Israel participated
05/2000	Subregional Training Course on training of trainers (TCY96/INT/08) - Nicosia, Cyprus 16-18 May 2000	Mr. Abdel Mon'e, Mohamed Aly Hosny, Mr. Ramy Saad El Din Youssef, Mr. Ashraf El Sayed Gaber, M,r Ahmed Fouad El Mohanadis, Egypt
02/2000	Subregional Training Course on emergency management - (TCY96/INT/08) - Cairo, Egypt, 29 February - 2 March 2000	Egypt participated
05/2002	Sub-Regional Training Course On Preparedness For And Response To Accidental Marine Pollution For Supervisors And On Scene Commanders From The Mediterranean Arab Countries Alexandria, Egypt: 11 – 15 May 2002	Egypt participated
07/2005	Subregional Training Course on Preparedness for and Response to Accidental Marine Pollution for Arabic Speaking Mediterranean Coastal States - Alexandria, Egypt, 3-7 July 2005	Mr. Mohamed Mohamed Kamel Salem,Mr. Ahmed Kasem Sheta, Mr Ehab Fahem Saber, Mr. Kossay Mahmoud Koreish, Mr. El Sayed Mohamed Sheeshea, Mr. Hassan Ahmed Hussein, Egypt
06/2007	Pollution prevention and control (INFOPOL) training course	Capt. Tarek SHAHIN ALY SHAHIN
01/2011	Sub-Regional Workshop on HNS Contingency Planning for Arab Speaking Countries , Alexandria, Egypt, 17-20 January 2011	Captain Mahmoud Ismail MOHAMED, Eng. Elham Refaat Abdel Aziz Ahmed SAYED, Dr. Manal Samy Mohamed Ahmed FARAG, Mr. Mahmoud Abd Elaziz Elsaeid Mohamed ELBASIONY, Eng. Ayman MOHAMED NAGIUB AWAAD, Mr. Khaled ISMAIL EL-HAW

National activities

Date	Activity name
12/2003	Pesco organised an Exercise RA Atum II on 10-11 December 2003
07/2007	National Workshop on Oil Spill Compensation , Cairo, 17-19 July 2007
09/2007	An Exercise Ra Atum VI was carried out by EEAA and Pesco on 01-02 September 2007
10/2008	National Workshop on Contugency Planning was held in cairo, Egypt between 21-23 October 2008

Prevention

Internation Conventions of prevention

Approved

Legal Instrument	Ratification	Implementation Transposition of the international intrument in the national legislation
LC 1972	30/07/1992	☑ Ratification Law No.46(III)/2004
LC Protocol 1996	20/05/2004	☑ Ratification Law No.46(III)/2004
AFS 2001	26/09/2012	
SOLAS 74	04/09/1981	
SOLAS Protocol 78	07/08/1986	
SOLAS Protocol 88	21/04/1995	
Load Line 1966	06/12/1968	
Load Line Protocol 1988	21/04/1995	
COLREG 72	21/04/1995	
STCW 78	22/09/1980	
UNCLOS	26/08/1983	
BWM 2004	18/05/2007	
MARPOL Annex I & Annex II	07/08/1986	
MARPOL Annex III	07/08/1986	
MARPOL Annex IV	07/08/1986	
MARPOL Annex V	07/08/1986	

Unapproved

Legal Instrument	Implementation Transposition of the international intrument in the national legislation
TONNAGE 69	
MARPOL Annex VI	
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	☐

Periodic inspections of own ships	
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	
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.	

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

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?	

Resources

Organigramme	
Number of Offices, non-technical, technical staff	
Head Office (provide full address and contact details)	
Number of other Offices (provide full address and contact details of all offices)	
Number of non-technical staff	
Number of technical Staff	
Number of Inspectors (Flag State Surveyors and Port State Inspectors)	
Number of flag State Casualty Investigators	