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

Greece



Country information

Capital	Athens
Languages	Greek
Main Ports	Piraeus
Additional Ports	Rafina, Lavrio, Patras. Igoumenitsa. Mykonos, Paros. Santorini, Chania, Creta, Tessaloki
Coastline (km)	16000.0
Production (bbl/day)	4891.0
Exportation (bbl/day)	151300.0
Imports (bbl/day)	553000.0
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	03/01/1979	☑ Law 855/1978
Emergency Protocol, 1976	03/01/1979	Law 855/1978
Prevention and emergency protocol, 2002	27/11/2006	☑ Law 3497/2006

International Convention

Legal Instrument	Ratification	Implementation Transposition of the international intrument in the national legislation
OPRC, 1990	07/03/1995	☑ Law 2252/1994
OPRC-HNS Protocol, 2000	28/05/2003	☑ Law 3100/2003
CLC 1992	09/10/1995	☑ P.D. 197/1995
FUND 1992	09/10/1995	☑ P.D. 270/1995
Bunker Convention, 2001	22/12/2005	☑ Law 3393/2005
LLMC Protocol 96	06/07/2009	
LLMC 1976	03/07/1991	
SALVAGE 1989	03/06/1996	
FUND Protocol 2003	23/10/2006	

Unapproved

International Convention

1996 HNS Convention

Wreck Removal Convention, 2007

INTERVENTION Protocol 1973

INTERVENTION 1969

Offshore Protocol

SCP CEG

National & regional system - National & regional plan

National contingency plan

Approved	Drafted	Under preparation	None	Supported by REMPEC	Date
☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	25/01/2002

Test type	All types
Test frequency	Once every year
Relevant national legislation adopting the plan	Presidental Decree No 11/2002 adpting NCP for dealing with incidents of pollution from oil and other harmful substances
The plan maintenance	Ministry of Merchant Marine , Aegean & Island Policy (MMMAIP - NCP 1.1.1.)
Implementing the plan	Central Services and Port Authorities

Subregional Agreements

National & regional system - response strategy

Monitoring and Evaluation

Satellite image	
Aerial surveillance	☑ NCP 3.10 Section Air surveillance (P.D. No. 11/02)
Naval surveillance	☑ NCP 3.5.2 (P.D. No. 11/02)
Forecasting models	☑ NCP 3.5.10 (P.D. No. 11/02)

Response at sea

Use of dispersant	☑
Aerial surveillance	☑ Use of dispersants allowed, following prior official authorisation from the Marine Environment Protection Division (MEPD) of the Ministry of Mercantile Marine, Aegean & Island Policy (NCP: Annex LCP paragraphs 6.30, 6.34).
Related Legislation	☑ The Ministerial Decree No 5219 (2000) defines the requirements for dispersant storage and packaging.
Delimitation zones for the use of dispersants	☑ The use of dispersants is generally prohibited especially in enclosed and sensitive areas (swallow waters, coastal marine reserves, SPAs etc). It may be allowed on case basis, following prior official authorisation from the Marine Environment Protection Division (MEPD)
Authority in charge of authorisation identified	The national contact point for dispersant use is the MEPD
Dispersant testing procedures	☑ Dispersants which pass the relevant toxicity and effectiveness tests are approved for use in Greece.
List of approved products	☑ SUPER DISPERSANT 25 (types 2 and 3) - OILER 60 (types 2 and 3) - MARICHEM OIL SPILL DISPERSANT (types 2 and 3) - UNICLEAN OSD ENVIRO (concentrated type)
List of competent laboratories authorized	☑ The State Chemical Laboratory in collaboration with the Hellenic Centre for Marine Research is responsible for the control and testing of oil spill dispersants. Toxicity and effectiveness tests are performed on the dispersants
Containment and recovery	☑ Detail in Section 5
In situ burning	etail in Section 5

Shoreline protection and cleanup

Shoreline protection	☑ etail in Section 5
Shoreline cleanup	☑

Comunication

Operation activities	☑ P.D. No. 11/02 - Annex 3.6 & 3.13
Government/Industry relation	☑ P.D. No. 11/02 - Annex 3.5.15, 3.5.16, 3.5.17, 3.5.18 and 3.5.19
Public relation	☑ P.D. No. 11/02 - Annex 3.17
Media relation	☑ P.D. No. 11/02 - Annex 3.17

Waste management

National policy regarding oily waste	☑ Common Ministerial Decision 8668/07. Competent authority for its enforcement is the Hellenic Ministry of Environment, Physical Planning & Public Works
Treatment/disposal facilities/solutions	

Experts

Integration of international experts in the coordination body	☑ P.D. No. 11/02 - Annex 3.5.5

Claims

Claims legal basis at national level	☑ P.D. No 11/02 – Chapter 5 - Annexes 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4 & 5.5
Claims included in the contingency plan	☑ P.D. No 11/02 – Chapter 5 - Annexes 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4 & 5.5
National structure dealing with claims	☑ P.D. No 11/02 – Chapter 5 - Annexes 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4 & 5.5

Volunteers management

Volunteers management considered in the plan	☑ Lists of volunteers are included in LCP’s

Faune protection

Measures for faune protection (Protected species and other marine fauna)	☑ P.D. No. 11/02 - Annex 1.3 (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	MEPD
Risk assessment	☑ Oil ☐ Chemicals	MEPD
Contingency planning	☐ Oil ☐ Chemicals	
Training of personnel	☑ Oil ☐ Chemicals	MEPD

Response

	Expert and training Centres
Fire fighting	☑ UGTSS
Response to oil spills at sea	☑ MEPD
Response to oil on shore	☑ MEPD
Response to spills/releases of HNS	
Recovery of lost Packages of HNS	
Aerial Surveillance	☑ MEPD
Satellite images	☑ MEPD (Use of EMSA's Satellite Images)
Overall emergency management	☑ MEPD
Shoreline decontamination	
Modelling and forecasting	☑ MEPD
Impact - Wildlife and birds	☑ HCMR
Impact - Fisheries/fish farming	☑ HCMR
Accident site restoration (oil)	☑ MEPD
Accident site restoration (chemicals)	

Expertise and services

Company Name	Annex 3 of the Questionnaire
Address (number, street, city)	
Telephone (24 hours a day)	

Mobile	
Telefax	
E-mail	
Further details	
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Address (number, street, city)	
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Mobile	
Telefax	
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Further details	

Trans-Boundary arrangements

Provider

To whom the request has to be addressed	
Full name of the institution	Captain (T) H.C.G. Elias SAMPATAKAKIS
Department or position	Director of the Marine Environment Protection Directorate Hellenic Ministry of Mercantile Marine, Aegean and Island Policy
Address (number, street, city)	Akti Vasileiadi – Gate E1-E2 (inside port), 18510 Piraeus
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Telefax	+30 (210) 422 04 40
Working hours	24 hours a day
E-mail	esamp@yen.gr

Boundary

To whom the request has to be addressed	
Financial conditions for expert services	Costs of transportation and stay charged in the requested party Daily allowance: Depending on the officer's rank Working Compensation (Based on Ministerial Decision No 2421.3/02/2006): a) Working days (Monday to Friday)& Working hours 07:00-15:00): 11,70 €/hr b) Working days, not working hours (after 15:00): 45 €/hr c) Not working days: 60 €/hr
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	Costs of transportation charged in the requested party Cost of use: a) Anti-polution vessels : 664 €/hr b) Aircrafts: i) with 1 motor: 810 €/hr ii) with 2 motors: 2285 €/hr c) Booms; i) offshore: 17 €/m/hr of use ii) coastal: 9 €/m/hr of use d) Skimmers: 47 €/hr e) Spraying systems: 12 €/hr f) Pressure Cleaners: 9 €/hr g) Vaccum systems: 47 €/hr h) sorbents: 15 €/kg Based on Ministerial Decision No 2421.3/02/2006)
Location of equipment and products and nearest port or airport (city/port, city/airport)	PIRAEUS/PORT ELEFSIS/AIRPORT THESSALONIKI/AIRPORT KAVALA/AIRPORT

Training and follow-up

REMPEC Focal points meeting

Year	Representative	Ministry/Department/Division
2000	Commander (T) HCG Emmanuel Papadimitrakis, Marine Environment Protection Division, Hellenic Coast Guard	Ministry of Mercantile Marine
2000	Lt. Vassilios Mamaloukas Frangoulis, Director	Environment Protection Engineering S.A.
2003	Mr. Eleftherios Ferousis, Director, Marine Environment Protection Division	Ministry of Mercantile Marine
2003	Mr. Alexandros Lagouros, Marine Environment Protection Division	Ministry of Mercantile Marine
2005	Mr, Dimitrios Krioneritis, Marine Environment Protection Directorate	Ministry of Mercantile Marine
2007	No Greek participants attended	Missing
2009	Captain (T) H.C.G. Elias Sampatakakis, Director of the Marine Environment Protection Directorate	Ministry of Mercantile Marine, Aegean and Island Policy
2009	Ms. Soultana Zervoudaki, Researcher	Hellenic Technical University of Athens
2009	Mr. Nikolaos P. Ventikos, University Lecturer	National Technical University of Athens
2011	Lieutenant Commander (T) H.C.G. Stylianos Markoulakis, Head of Division for Marine Pollution Prevention & Combating	Marine Environment Protection Directorate Ministry of Citizen Protection / Hellenic Coast Guard
2011	Captain (T) H.C.G. Elias Sampatakakis, Director of the Marine Environment Protection Directorate	Ministry of Citizen Protection / Hellenic Coast Guard

Regional activities

Date	Activity name	Country participant name
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.	Lt. H.C.G. Nikolas Koutsodontis, Lt. H.C.G Nektarios Koronaios,Greece
03/2000	MEDEXPOL 99/2 Regional Training Course on New Techniques for Shoreline Pollution (Oil/Chemical) Clean-up,- Brest, france, 21-25 March 2003	Mr. John Panagopoulos, Greece
11/2000	MEDEXPOL 2000 – Regional Seminar for Government Administrators and Senior Managers (on Accidental Marine Pollution preparedness and response - Naples, Italy,06-10 November 2000	Mr. Joannis Voutsas, Greece
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	Mr. Emmanuel Petrou, Greece
10/2002	MEDIPOL 2002 6 Regional Seminar on response to Oil and Chemical spills for Governments Administrators and Senior Managers - St George's Bay, Malta	Mr. Alexandros Kafkoulas, Greece

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, Marseille - Toulon, France 2-4 October 2003	Lt. Cdr. H.C.G. Christos Hatzopoulos
10/2005	MEDEXPOL 2005 – Regional Seminar on the use of Remote Sensing in Oil Pollution Control, Nicosia, Cyprus, 17-20 October 2005	Eng. Ioannis Tsounakis, Greece
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
11/2007	MEDEXPOL 2007 - Regional Seminar on Illicit Discharges from Ships and Prosecution of Offenders, Marseille, France	Mr. Dionisios Prevezanos, Mr. Nektarios Koronaois, Greece

National activities

Date	Activity name

Prevention

Internation Conventions of prevention

Approved

Legal Instrument	Ratification	Implementation Transposition of the international intrument in the national legislation
LC 1972	10/08/1981	
AFS 2001	22/12/2005	
SOLAS 74	12/05/1980	☑ Law 1045/1980 (A’ 95)
SOLAS Protocol 78	17/07/1981	☑ Law 1159/1981 (A’143)
SOLAS Protocol 88	19/07/1994	☑ Law 2208/1994 (A’ 71)
Load Line 1966	12/06/1968	☑ Law 391/1968 (125Α)
Load Line Protocol 1988	19/07/1994	☑ Law 2209/1994 (A’ 72)
TONNAGE 69	19/08/1983	☑ Law 1373/1983 (A’ 92)
COLREG 72	17/12/1974	☑ Legislative Decree 93/1974 (A’ 293)
STCW 78	22/03/1983	☑ Law 1314/1983 (A’ 02)
UNCLOS	21/07/1995	☑ Law 2321/1995 (A’136)
BWM 2004	26/06/2017	
MARPOL Annex I & Annex II	23/09/1982	☑ Law 1269/1982 (A’ 89)
MARPOL Annex III	23/09/1982	☑ Law 1269/1982 (A’ 89)
MARPOL Annex IV	23/09/1982	☑ Law 1269/1982 (A’ 89)
MARPOL Annex V	23/09/1982	☑ Law 1269/1982 (A’ 89)
MARPOL Annex VI	28/05/2003	☑ Law 3104/2003 (A’ 28)

Unapproved

Legal Instrument	Implementation Transposition of the international intrument in the national legislation
LC Protocol 1996	
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?	The Administration imposes administrative, disciplinary and/or penal sanctions to delinquents according to national legislation.

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	16
Number of ships detained under the Paris MoU	
Number of ships detained under the Tokyo MoU	
Number of ships detained under the USCG	8
Port State Control Inspections	
Port State Control Inspections are carried out in your ports	☑
If yes, how many PSC inspections are carried out annually?	Last three years average of 982 inspections per year
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?	The procedures with which is being monitored the ROs' work involves the following activities: 1. Audits on the ROs' offices on a biennial basis (at least) 2. VCAs (Vertical Contract Audits) 3. Monitoring of certificates issued by the Ros 4. Detention statistics derived from Port State Control

Delegation of Authority to Recognised Organizations (ROs)	
Provide list of ROs to whom delegation of authority is granted through such an Agreement.	American Bureau of Shipping (ABS), Bureau Veritas (BV), China Classification Society (CCS), Det Norske Veritas (DNV), Germanischer Lloyd (GL), Hellenic Register of Shipping (HRS)*, Korean Register of Shipping (KR), Lloyds Register (LR), Nippon Kaiji Kyokai (NKK), Registro Italiano Navale (RINA), Russian Maritime Register of Shipping (RMRS). * Limited Recognition by EC

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	11
Number of reported collisions in the last 3 years	26
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
Agio Theodoroi	●				
Alexandroupolis	●	●	●	●	●
Aspropirgos	●				
Chalkis	●	●			
Corinth	●	●	●		●
Drapetzona		●			
Elefsis	●	●	●	●	●
Epidavros	●				
Igoumenitsa	●	●	●	●	●
Kavala	●			●	
Kerkyra	●	●	●	●	●
Laurium (Lavrion)	●	●	●	●	●
Megara	●				
Methoni	●			●	
Naxos				●	
Patras	●	●	●	●	
Piraeus	●	●	●	●	●
Rafina	●	●	●	●	●

Port Reception Facilities

Port	MARPOL Annex I	MARPOL Annex II	MARPOL Annex IV	MARPOL Annex V	MARPOL Annex VI
Rio	●	●	●	●	●
Skaramangas	●	●			
Syra (Syros)	●	●			
Thassaloniki	●	●	●	●	●
Volos	●	●	●	●	●

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 applicable national institutional framework, the surveillance of coastal waters is ensured by using on a regular basis the available Hellenic Coast Guard operational assets/means (anti-pollution vessels,aerial means, Offshore Patrol Vessels, Coastal Patrol Boats etc)

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	