

Sint Maarten

Focal Points

MINISTRY OF LEAD AGENCY

Prime Minister	
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LEAD AGENCY

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SPILL NOTIFICATION POINT

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RESPONSE AGENCY

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NATIONAL OPERATIONAL CONTACT (under MARPOL)

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Organization of the response

Bilateral or multilateral agreements

The official notification point for an Oil Spill is the Port Authority, that informs the Maritime Authority.

The existing structure for general disaster management will be utilised for an oil spill:

- The Prime Minister has the overall responsibility.
- At the tactical level, depending on the nature of the crisis, 3 to 10 units, namely ESF, can be activated, each of them representing different agencies and stakeholders in the country.
- At the operational level, the "COPI" acts as the On Scen Command and works directly with the ESF.
- At the strategic level, the Fire Chief is the National Disaster Coordinator and he works with the ESF-Coordinators (each ESF names one representative).

National Contingency Plan

Status (<i>draft, approved, date of approval...</i>)	Not written yet (March 2012)
Name	
Last Update	
Copy at the REMPEITC?	
Is the NCP confidential?	
Authority in charge	Maritime Authority
Are HNS (Hazardous Noxious Substances) spills included in the NCP?	
Future development	The NCP is being written under the responsibility of the Maritime Authority, with the cooperation of the Disaster management, and with other agencies and industry input.
Additional comments	Since the dissolution of the Netherlands Antilles, on October 10, 2010, St Maarten is an autonomous country within the Kingdom of the Netherlands and needs to write its own plan.

Response Policy

Monitoring and evaluation	The Coast Guard has aircrafts.
Dispersant	
Containment and Recovery	
Shoreline Protection and Cleanup	
In situ burning	
NEBA	
Waste management	
Claims	
Wildlife recovery and care	
Volunteers management	
Additional comments	

Risk assessment

Risk assessment strategy	
Last oil spill assessment	
Previous Spills <i>Date, location, type of oil, quantity</i> <i>Is a list of spills maintained (who, where...)?</i>	
ESI (Environmental Sensitivity Index) Maps: <i>Do they exist? Areas covered?</i> <i>Date and last update?</i> <i>Version (paper/informatic/GIS)?</i> <i>Who built them? Who maintain them?</i>	No formalized ESI maps exist.
ESI Maps availability <i>Where to find them?</i> <i>Are they in Annex of the NCP?</i>	
Additional comments	

Equipment

Equipment List <i>Is a list maintained?</i> <i>Which format? Where to find it?</i> <i>Does the REMPEITC has a copy of it?</i>	Philipsburg port owns some equipment. Oil companies and SXM Nature foundations have Tier 1 equipment. The is a short list of equipment available at the REMPEITC from a national workshop held in February 2012.
Equipment agreements for support?	
Mechanism for the entrance of equipment through Customs	
Additional comments	

Exercises and Training

Agency in charge of personnel training	
National training capabilities: <i>Does a national training center exist?</i> <i>Is a list of trained personnel maintained?</i> <i>Etc.</i>	There is no national training center. At the governmental level, few people are trained.
Last national exercises <i>Dates</i> <i>Extent of the exercice (national, regional, local...)</i> <i>Lead organizer, participants, etc.</i>	
Additional comments	

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