

# MALDIVES

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## SPILL NOTIFICATION POINT

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## RESPONSE ARRANGEMENTS

The Maldives Coast Guard, part of the National Defence Force, is responsible for responding to maritime distress calls. The National Defence Force can establish a National Disaster Committee on the instruction of the President. The Maldives has a contingency plan to respond to national disasters and the oil spill response aspects are being developed, including sensitivity mapping, dispersant policy, GIS, equipment requirements etc. (Information from SACEP meeting, November 2015).

The major port under the control government-owned Maldives Port Limited is responsible for prevention of pollution within the harbour area. However, the port does not have equipment or an oil spill contingency plan to respond to oil spills and would notify the Coast Guard.

## RESPONSE POLICY

A formal response policy is being developed.

## EQUIPMENT

### Government & Private

Limited resources are available in the country. They would only be sufficient to respond to small spills.

## PREVIOUS SPILL EXPERIENCE

The Maldives has not experienced any major spills.

## HAZARDOUS AND NOXIOUS SUBSTANCES (HNS)

The Maldives is developing its capability to respond to spills of HNS.

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## CONVENTIONS

Prevention & Safety					Spill Response		Compensation						
MARPOL 73/78		Annexes III IV V VI			OPRC '90	OPRC -HNS	CLC '69 '76 '92			Fund '92	Supp Fund	HNS*	Bunker
✓			✓						✓	✓			

\* not yet in force

## REGIONAL AND BILATERAL AGREEMENTS

The South Asia Seas Programme is a cooperative partnership, formally adopted in 1995, for the protection and management of the shared marine waters and associated coastal ecosystems of five maritime SACEP countries – Bangladesh, India, Maldives, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

MoU for the Co-operation on the Response to Oil and Chemical Pollution in the South Asia Seas Region (signed by Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh & Maldives to date)

The Maldives is currently working on a tri-lateral security agreement with India and Sri Lanka aimed at strengthening the current contingency plan (Information from SACEP Meeting Nov 15)

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