



## List of Acronyms

ACOPS	Advisory Committee on Pollution of the Sea
BOD	Biological Oxygen Demand
BTO	British Trust for Ornithology
CAST	Coastguard Agreement on Salvage and Towage
CCW	Countryside Council for Wales
CEFAS	Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science
CHAG	Chemical Hazards Advisory Group
CPSO	Counter Pollution and Salvage Officer
DEFRA	Department of Environment, Fisheries and Rural Affairs
DOE	Department of the Environment (for Northern Ireland)
DTI	Department of Trade and Industry
EA	Environment Agency
EMSA	European Maritime Safety Agency
ETV	Emergency Towing Vessel
FC	Fund convention
FEPA	Food and Environment Protection Act 1990
GESAMP	Group of Experts on the Scientific Aspects of Marine Pollution
GNN	Government News Network
GRT	Gross Registered Tonnage
GT	Gross Tonnage
HMCG	Her Majesty's Coastguard
HPA	Health Protection Agency
HPS	Health Protection Scotland
HSE	Health and Safety Executive
IMDG Code	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
IMO	International Maritime Organisation
IOPC Fund	International Oil Pollution Compensation Fund
IP	Institute of Petroleum
ITOPF	International Tanker Owners Pollution Federation
JNCC	Joint Nature Conservation Committee
MAIB	Marine Accident Investigation Branch
MARPOL	International Convention for the prevention of Pollution from Ships
MCA	Maritime and Coastguard Agency
MEIR	Marine Emergencies Information Room
MEPC	Marine Environment Protection Committee
MMO	Marine Management Organisation
MNR	Marine Nature Reserve
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MRCC	Maritime Rescue Co-ordination Centre
MRSC	Maritime Rescue Sub-Centre
MS	Marine Scotland
MSA	Marine Safety Agency
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheet
NCP	National Contingency Plan
NE	Natural England
NIEA	Northern Ireland Environment Agency
NNR	National Nature Reserve
OPA90	US Oil Pollution Act of 1990

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OPRC	Oil Pollution Preparedness Response and Co-operation Convention 1990
OSPRAG	The Oil Spill Prevention and Response Advisory Group
P&I	Protection and Indemnity 'Clubs'
POLREP	Pollution Report
RSPB	Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
RSPCA	Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
SAR	Search and Rescue
SBM	Single Buoy Mooring
SCAT	Shoreline Clean-up Assessment Team
SCG	Strategic Coordinating Group
SCU	Salvage Control Unit
SE	Scottish Executive
SEPA	Scottish Environmental Protection Agency
SEERAD	Scottish Executive Environment Rural Affairs Department
SFI	Sea Fisheries Inspectorate
SITREP	Situation Report
SLAR	Sideways Looking Airborne Radar
SNH	Scottish Natural Heritage
SOLAS	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea
SOSREP	Secretary of State's Representative for Maritime Salvage and Intervention
SRC	Shoreline Response Centre
SSPCA	Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
SSSI	Site of Special Scientific Interest
STOp	Scientific, Technical and Operational Guidance Notes
TEZ	Temporary Exclusion Zone
UKOOA	United Kingdom Offshore Operators Association
UKPIA	United Kingdom Petroleum Industry Association
UNCLOS	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
USPCA	Ulster Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
VTS	Vessel Traffic System
WWF	World Wide Fund for Nature

## Useful Pollution Response Websites

Type	Name of Service	Website
Government & Government-Related Websites	MCA	<a href="http://www.dft.gov.uk/mca">www.dft.gov.uk/mca</a>
	Counter Pollution branch	<a href="http://www.dft.gov.uk/mca/mcga07-home/emergencyresponse/mcga-dops_cp_environmental-counter-pollution_and_response.htm">www.dft.gov.uk/mca/mcga07-home/emergencyresponse/mcga-dops_cp_environmental-counter-pollution_and_response.htm</a>
	MCA STOp Notes	<a href="http://www.dft.gov.uk/mca/mcga07-home/emergencyresponse/mcga-pollutionresponse/mcga-stop.htm">www.dft.gov.uk/mca/mcga07-home/emergencyresponse/mcga-pollutionresponse/mcga-stop.htm</a>
	Marine Scotland	<a href="http://www.scotland.gov.uk/About/Directorates/marinescotland">www.scotland.gov.uk/About/Directorates/marinescotland</a>
	Marine Management Organisation	<a href="http://www.marinemanagement.org.uk">www.marinemanagement.org.uk</a>
	The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	<a href="http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/index.htm">www.defra.gov.uk/environment/index.htm</a>
	Environment Agency	<a href="http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk">www.environment-agency.gov.uk</a>
	Northern Ireland Environment Agency	<a href="http://www.ni-environment.gov.uk/index.htm">www.ni-environment.gov.uk/index.htm</a>
	Scottish Environment Protection Agency	<a href="http://www.sepa.org.uk">www.sepa.org.uk</a>
	Natural England	<a href="http://www.naturalengland.org.uk">www.naturalengland.org.uk</a>
	Countryside Council for Wales	<a href="http://www.ccw.gov.uk/?!lang=en">www.ccw.gov.uk/?!lang=en</a>
	Scottish Natural Heritage	<a href="http://www.snh.gov.uk">www.snh.gov.uk</a>
	Joint Nature Conservation Committee	<a href="http://www.jncc.defra.gov.uk">www.jncc.defra.gov.uk</a>
	International Maritime Organisation	<a href="http://www.imo.org">www.imo.org</a>
	Department for Transport	<a href="http://www.dft.gov.uk">www.dft.gov.uk</a>
	Department of Energy and Climate Change	<a href="http://www.decc.gov.uk">www.decc.gov.uk</a>
	Met Office	<a href="http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/">www.metoffice.gov.uk/</a>
Bonn Agreement	<a href="http://www.bonnagreement.org/eng/html/welcome.html">www.bonnagreement.org/eng/html/welcome.html</a>	
Industry Bodies	International Tanker Owners Pollution Federation Ltd	<a href="http://www.itopf.com">www.itopf.com</a>
	Oil & Gas UK	<a href="http://www.oilandgas.co.uk">www.oilandgas.co.uk</a>
	(OSPRAG)	<a href="http://www.oilandgas.co.uk/osprag">www.oilandgas.co.uk/osprag</a>

	UK Spill Association	<a href="http://www.ukspill.org">www.ukspill.org</a>
	International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association	<a href="http://www.ipieca.org">www.ipieca.org</a>
	Oil Spill Response	<a href="http://www.oilspillresponse.com/index.html">www.oilspillresponse.com/index.html</a>
Modeling	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)	<a href="http://www.noaa.gov/">www.noaa.gov/</a>
	British Maritime Technology (BMT)	<a href="http://www.bmt.org/">www.bmt.org/</a>
	AEA Technology	<a href="http://www.aeat.co.uk/">www.aeat.co.uk/</a>
Oil Companies Related Organisations	Energy Institute	<a href="http://www.energyinst.org.uk/">www.energyinst.org.uk/</a>
Ports & Harbour Authorities	Associated British Ports (ABP)	<a href="http://www.abports.co.uk/">www.abports.co.uk/</a>
	British Ports Association (BPA)	<a href="http://www.britishports.org.uk/">www.britishports.org.uk/</a>
	Port of Rotterdam	<a href="http://www.portofrotterdam.com/en/home/">www.portofrotterdam.com/en/home/</a>
Environmental Organisations	Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB)	<a href="http://www.rspb.org.uk/ourwork/policy/marine/pollution.asp">www.rspb.org.uk/ourwork/policy/marine/pollution.asp</a>
	World Wildlife Fund (WWF)	<a href="http://www.wwf.org.uk/">www.wwf.org.uk/</a>
	Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA)	<a href="http://www.rspca.org.uk/">www.rspca.org.uk/</a>
	Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust	<a href="http://www.wwt.org.uk/">www.wwt.org.uk/</a>
Maritime Research	Centre for Environment, Fisheries & Aquaculture Science	<a href="http://www.cefas.defra.gov.uk">www.cefas.defra.gov.uk</a>
	University of Plymouth Institute of Marine Studies	<a href="http://www.plymouth.ac.uk/marine">www.plymouth.ac.uk/marine</a>
	Natural Environment Research Council Proudman Oceanographic Laboratory	<a href="http://www.nerc.ac.uk/research/sites/research/pol.asp">www.nerc.ac.uk/research/sites/research/pol.asp</a>
	AEA Technology	<a href="http://www.aeat.co.uk/cms/">www.aeat.co.uk/cms/</a>