


# Country Profile – South Africa

## 1- General information

	<b>Name</b>	South Africa
	<b>Capital(s)</b>	Pretoria
	<b>Language</b>	English
	<b>Main Ports</b>	Durban Richards Bay Saldanha Bay
	<b>Coastline (km)</b>	2798

## 2- Contact list

[Competent National Authority\(ies\) with responsibility for oil pollution preparedness and response](#)

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### 3- National Oil Spill Contingency Plan (NOSCP)

#### [Development of the National Oil Spill Contingency plan](#)

<b>Name of the NOSCP</b>	National Oil Spill Contingency Plan
<b>Status of the NOSCP</b>	In Progress
<b>Date of latest approved update</b>	2011
<b>Decree of approval</b>	N/A
<b>Working group / Committee</b>	Department of Environmental Affairs and Department of Transport

#### [Components of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan](#)

- [Policy on the use of dispersant](#)

<b>Status of the policy on the use of dispersant</b>	Developed (currently under revision)	
<b>Oil dispersant use as</b>	Last option	
<b>Existing approval procedure &amp; list of approved dispersant</b>	Yes	
<b>Stockpile of dispersant</b>	Yes	
<b>Is the policy on the use of dispersant included in the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan?</b>	Yes (as an annex)	
<b>If yes, name of the decree for the Dispersant use policy</b>		
<b>List of approved dispersants</b>	Yes	
<b>Geographical limits for the use of dispersant</b>	Yes	
<b>Location of storage site</b>	No	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Volume</b>

- [Sensitivity mapping](#)

<b>Status of the oil spill sensitivity maps</b>	Developed and approved (but need for an update)
<b>Are the sensitivity maps included in the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan?</b>	No
<b>Date of validation</b>	1985 (last update)
<b>Working group / Committee</b>	No
<b>Do the maps cover the entire coastline?</b>	Yes
<b>Are shorelines types and most sensitive sites identified and included?</b>	Yes
<b>Are sensitivity maps developed from a GIS?</b>	No (hard copy only; updating will be in GIS)
<b>Source of the sensitivity maps</b>	Department of Environmental Affairs

- Shoreline assessment and clean-up plan

<b>Is the Shoreline response plan included in the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan?</b>	No (captured in the Coastal Oil Spill Plan)
<b>Does the Shoreline response plan integrate shoreline assessment and clean-up strategy?</b>	Yes (it is already captured at a macro level)

- Waste management plan

<b>Status of the waste management plan</b>	Not developed
<b>Is the Waste management plan included in the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan?</b>	No (waste management is captured but not as a plan)
<b>Does the Waste management plan include transport, temporary storage of waste and final disposal?</b>	N/A
<b>Date of validation</b>	N/A
<b>Working group / committee</b>	N/A

- Wildlife response plan

<b>Does the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan include a Wildlife response plan?</b>	No (but SANCCOB has a National Response Plan under review)
<b>Does the Wildlife response Plan provide information on the use of experts, volunteers and good practices?</b>	Yes

- In-situ burning policy

<b>Does the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan include an in-situ burning policy?</b>	No
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#### Organisation

- Incident Management System

<b>Is the concept of Incident Management System included in all aspects of the plan (at sea-response, shoreline clean-up, waste management etc.)?</b>	No
<b>Are roles and responsibilities specified?</b>	No

- [Organisation chart](#)

TBC

[Trans-boundary aspects](#)

- [Trans-boundary cooperation](#)

<b>Is there a mechanism of response cooperation at the bilateral and/or sub-regional level included in the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan?</b>	No
<b>Are there trans-boundary exercises organised at least every 3 years?</b>	No
<b>If so, date of the last trans-boundary exercise</b>	N/A

- [Trans-boundary movement of expertise and equipment](#)

<b>Are trans-boundary movement of expertise and equipment included in the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan?</b>	No
<b>Status of work on trans-boundary movement of expertise and equipment</b>	N/A
<b>Date of validation</b>	N/A

[Other elements of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan](#)

<b>Is there a process identified in the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan to select the best response strategy and techniques to minimise impacts (NEBA)?</b>	No (the plan is being updated to include it)
<b>Does the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan include the planned provision and escalation of resources to address a range of response scenarios (tiered response)?</b>	Yes
<b>Does the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan identify access to visual observation capabilities?</b>	Yes (but the aerial monitoring capability is no longer with DEA)
<b>Does the NOSCP include Hazardous and Noxious Substances?</b>	No

#### 4- Conventions & Agreements

##### Prevention

Name	Ratification	Transposition into the national legislation
<b>MARPOL Convention 73-78</b>	Yes	No
<b>MARPOL IV</b>	Yes	Yes
<b>MARPOL V</b>	Yes	No
<b>MARPOL VI</b>	Yes	Yes

##### Preparedness and response

Name	Ratification	Transposition into the national legislation
<b>OPRC 1990</b>	Yes	Yes
<b>OPRC HNS Protocol - 2000</b>	No	Yes

##### Liability and compensation

Name	Ratification	Transposition into the national legislation
<b>CLC 1992</b>	Yes	No
<b>FUND 1992</b>	Yes	No
<b>Supp FUND</b>	No	Yes
<b>1996 HNS Convention</b>	No	Yes
<b>2010 HNS Protocol</b>	No	Yes
<b>Bunker Convention (2001)</b>	No	Yes

##### Bilateral and Sub-regional agreements

Name	Ratification	Transposition into the national legislation
<b>Abidjan Convention - Protocol on Oil Pollution</b>	Yes	Yes
<b>Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem Program (BCLME) Regional Oil Spill Contingency Plan</b>	No	Yes
<b>Bamako Convention (on the ban on the Import into Africa and the Control of Transboundary Movement and Management of Hazardous Wastes within Africa)</b>	No	No

## 5- Training

<b>Is internal training and/or exercise undertaken at least once a year?</b>	Yes (DEA provides one annual workshop and exercise to local authorities)
<b>List of GI WACAF activities undertaken since 2013</b>	
<b>Type and topic of the activity</b>	<b>Date</b>
National workshop on Incident Management System (IMS)	Juin 2015

## 6- Expertise and resources

### Comments

#### **Government and Private:**

Department of Environmental Affairs:

- Tier 1-2 equipment stored in Cape Town
- 6 dedicated oil spill response officials

### Equipment

<b>Is the national oil spill response capacity sufficient to carry out the oil spill response operations (TIER1) ?</b>	Yes
<b>Is the national oil spill response capacity sufficient to carry out the oil spill response operations (TIER2) ?</b>	Yes
<b>Is the national oil spill response capacity sufficient to carry out the oil spill response operations (TIER3) ?</b>	No