## Premiam and the Post-incident Monitoring Guidelines

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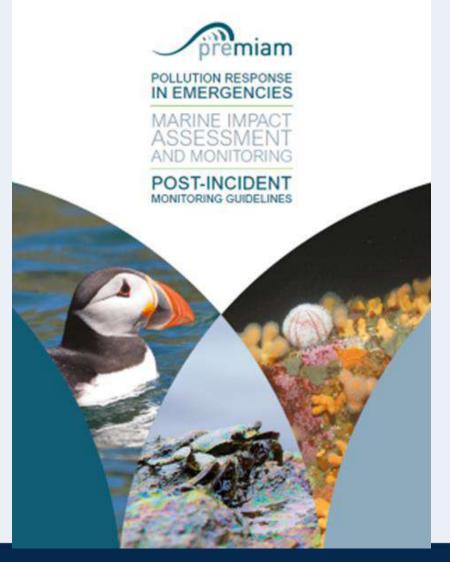
- Scientific best-practice & guidance
- Organisational processes (PMCC etc.)
- Forum for debate and cooperation
  - Cross UK
  - Cross sector
  - Awareness raising (Premiam Conference)
- Methods to assess preparedness
- Included in the National Contingency Plan
- Deployed in National Response Exercises





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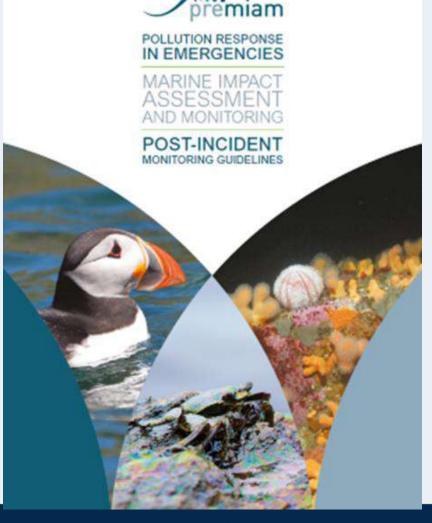














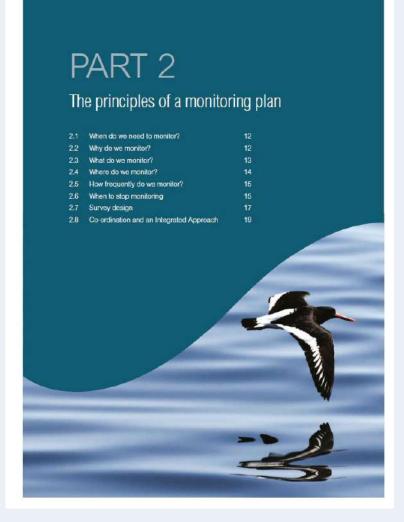


## The Principles of a Monitoring Plan

- When do we need to monitor?
- Why do we monitor?
- What do we monitor?
- Where do we monitor?
- How frequently do we monitor?
- When to stop monitoring
- Survey design
- Co-ordination and an Integrated Approach









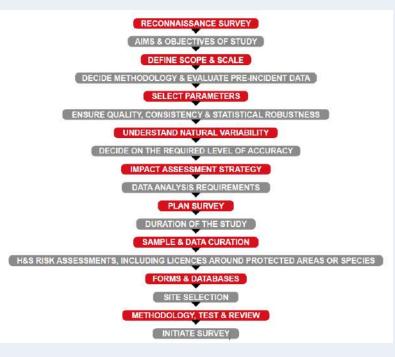


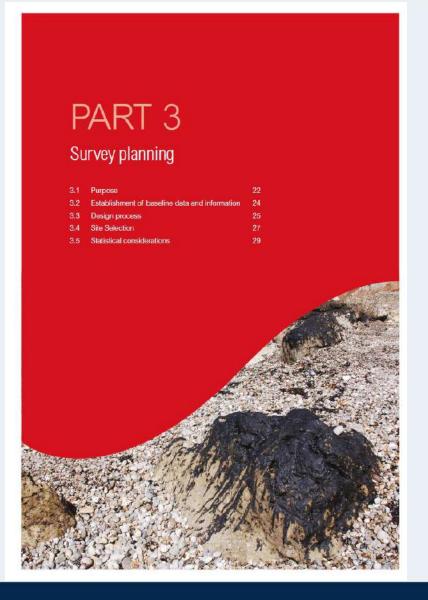
## **Survey Planning**

- Purpose
- Establishment of baseline data and information
- Design process
- Site selection
- Statistical considerations











## **Sample Collection and Management**

- Introduction
- Sampling
- Sample preparation
- Sample labelling and tracking
- Transport and storage









## PART 4 Sample collection and management



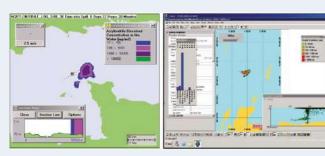


## **Key Methodologies**

- Chemical analysis
- Ecotoxicology in Post-incident monitoring
- Ecological Assessment General guidance
- Ecological Assessment Specific resources: habitats and wildlife
- Modelling

Remote sensing, autonomous platforms and other

technologies







# PART 5 Key methodologies



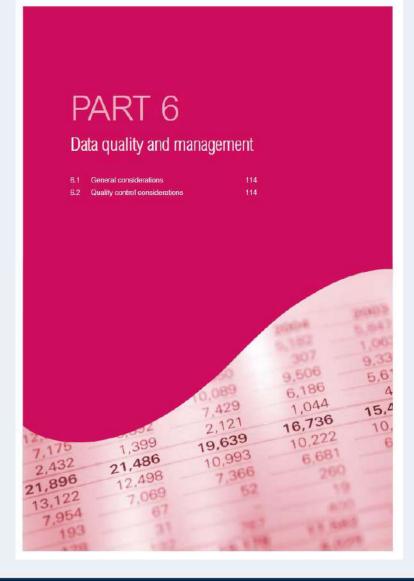


## **Data Quality and Management**

- General considerations
- Quality control considerations











## **Communications and Reporting**

- Communication objectives
- Communications media
- Communications recommendations
- Overall remarks



Table 10. Targeted communications media that could be used to inform the findings from the monitoring programme to relevant stakeholders.

esignated website

Regular progress notifications could be posted on a designated website (could also be updated when a specified monitoring event such as a high reading occurs, although exceptionally high readings will require careful management). This would enable the monitoring process to be followed, explaining mitigations when concerns are high and reassuring stakeholders when returned to normal levels.

Exceptional wider press

In select cases, there may be a need to communicate an exceptional monitoring event to the wider public (e.g. due to a particularly high reading or misinformation about such). A wider press release could be distributed to local, regional and trade modia.

Industry outreach contact list

Certain aspects of the monitoring are mostly of interest to effected industry, and it will be important that industry is made aware of it and understands these aspects in a timoly manner. An email contact list of key industry contacts could be used to ensure that an individual with responsibility for their input into the monitoring progress is kept up to date with the latest relevant developments. This will also enable a two-way conversation with these partners so they can raise concerns quickly and effectively.

Social media

To respond quickly to concerns raised by the public, social media messages could be drafted and distributed via the social media accounts of partners as appropriate. These messages will not have the same level of detail as the notifications set, but will offer a rapid reassurance that measures are being developed, as deemed necessary by any monitoring coordination cell. Social media will also serve a useful role in monitioning and avoiding the spread of incorrect information.

Industry forums

Like social media, posts on industry forums could be used as deemed necessary by any monitoring coordination cell to provide timely updates and avoid misinformation.

## PART 7

### Communications and reporting

Overall remarks	

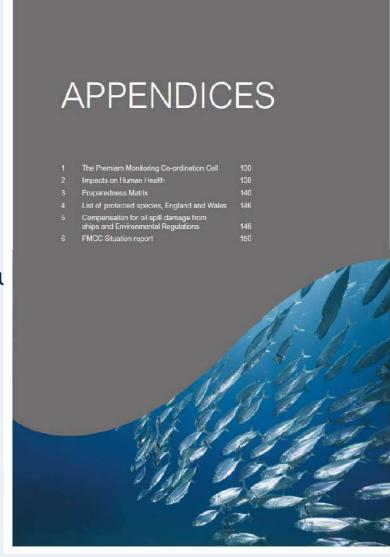






## **Appendices**

- The Premiam Monitoring Co-ordination Cell
- Impacts on human health
- Preparedness matrix
- List of protected species, England and Wales
- Compensation for oil spill damage from ships and Environmental Regulation
- PMCC Situation report

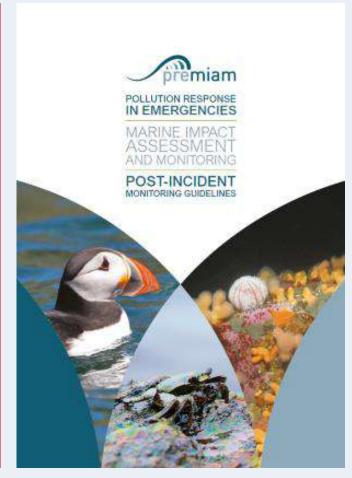




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