

Notifications and Monthly Reporting - What's changing?

May 2025 Information Session



New work, health and safety regulations



- A review of Australia's offshore safety regime conducted by the Department of Industry, Science and Resources (DISR) identified improvements that could help strengthen and enhance offshore worker safety outcomes.
- To implement these, the OPGGS Act and the OPGGS Safety Regulations have now been amended.
- The new regulations reflect changes to the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006, which was amended by Parliament in May 2024, and published in December 2024.
- The changes will come into force on 12 June 2025.

Monthly Information Sessions



- February AEP hosted session, general overview of the changes
- March Key topics: Safety Cases, Safety Critical Systems, HSRs
- April Follow up Safety Cases Session
- April Key Topics: Design Notification Scheme (DNS), Vessel Activity Notification Scheme (VANS)
- May Key Topics: Notifications and Monthly Reporting
- June Key Topics: General FAQ post in force date of 12 June 2025



At a glance:

Sexual harassment and psychosocial health

- Clarifying the definition of "health" to include psychological health.
- Requirement to describe control measures against harassment and bullying in the safety case.
- New reporting requirements for incidents of sexual harassment, bullying and harassment.

Compliance and enforcement - notifications & reporting

- Clarifying notification and reporting requirements.
- New requirements for reporting worker hours and persons on board.

Contact information

Operators to notify NOPSEMA of key contact information as part of monthly reporting.



Motivation for Change

Safety Regulations changes and new NOPSEMA guidance materials

- New Safety Regulation coming in place 12 June 2025
- Regulations amended to enhance offshore activities being undertaken in a way that reduces the risk to health and safety of persons at or near a facility
- Regulations implement a number of new regulatory requirements
- Opportunity to reduce and simplify a number of industry guidance materials
- Opportunity to provide simpler and more consistent guidance across different fields (Saf/Env/WI)
- Opportunity to prepare for enhanced digitisation of regulatory reporting



Reporting psychosocial matters

Safety Regulations changes

- Operator must supply written notice of an incident of:
 - Sexual harrassment
 - Bullying
 - Harrassment
- Definitions for the above have been taken from *Sex Discrimination Act 1984* and Safe Work Australia guidance
- Notice to be provided as soon as practicable after an Operator becomes aware of incident
- De-identified notification to be in writing via a templated form to a dedicated NOPSEMA email
- Written report about the incident to be provided to NOPSEMA within 30 days
- Ties in with new psychosocial requirements within Safety Cases



Monthly Operational Activities Report

Safety Regulations changes

- Monthly Operational Activities Report replaces the existing N-03300-FM0522-Deaths or Injuries Monthly Summary
- Each month the Operator of a facility must provide the following information:
 - Contact details for key personnel associated with the facility
 - Minimum and Maximum numbers of workers on the facility (including contractors)
 - Total numbers of workers hours (including contractors)
 - Numbers and types of injuries:
 - Includes: Circumstances of injury / actions to avoid adverse impact / actions to control incident / Future corrective actions
 - Deidentified information about suicides or attempted suicides
 - De-identified information about incidents of mental ill-health (other than first aid)
 - Emergency contacts for the facility
- New templated reporting form has been created providing fields for all of the above information
- Report to be submitted via email by 15th of the following month
- First report covering the month of June 2025 is required to be submitted 15 July 2025



New Guidance Note – Notifications and Reporting

General Overview

New Guidance Note: N-03300-GN2303-Notification Reporting and Recording Requirements

- One single guidance note replaces the current separate guidance notes for notifications and reporting
- Includes requirements for Safety / Environment & Well Integrity
- Includes requirements for initial notifications and reporting requirements
- Supported by a number of templated documents:
 - N-03300-FM0831-Report of accident, dangerous occurrence or environmental incident (3/30 Day report)
 - N-03300-FM2299-Report of Harrassment
 - N-03300-FM2300-Monthly Operational Activities Report
 - N-03300-FM0928-Monthly Environmental Incidents Report
 - N-03300-FM2333-Notification of Vessel Becoming or ceasing to be facility or AOP
- The new Guidance Note provides instructions on how to complete the above forms
- Currently open for public comment on NOPSEMA website Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Safety) Regulations 2024 | NOPSEMA



Guidance Note – Notifications and Reporting

Key changes – Amended 3 and 30 Day Report Template

N-03300-FM0831-Report of an Accident Dangerous Occurrence or Environmental Incident

- Existing form has been amended
- One report form now for all Safety, Environment and Well Integrity
- Replaces existing Well Integrity reporting form (N-03300-FM1635-Reporting Incidents in Relation to Well)
- Includes requirements for further information in respect to notifiable injuries



Guidance Note – Notifications and Reporting

Environment incidents – key changes

Monthly Environmental Reports:

Removal of the need to provide a "nil" monthly report when there are no recordable incidents

Environment Reportable Incidents:

- Clarity that environmental incidents include those relating to socio-economic and cultural aspects (see definition of "environment" in the regulations)
- Highlights that the definition of reportable includes those with the "potential" for environmental damage (not just "actual").
- No prescription in the Environment Regulations on what is "reportable"
- Updated examples of the types of reportable incidents that should be considered by industry based on historical incidents and inspection findings

Any questions?





Continued engagement with industry



- FAQs continue to be updated on the webpage
- Multiple documents are currently open for comment on the NOPSEMA webpage
 - Access via Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Safety) Regulations 2024 | NOPSEMA.

NOPSEMA will also be holding regular information sessions on the following dates:

- Tuesday 18 March
- Tuesday 15 April DNS, VANS
- Tuesday 20 May Notifications and Monthly Reporting
- Tuesday 17 June General FAQ post in force date of 12 June 2025
 - All contacts that have received an invite to a previous information session will be notified of the June session.

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