

HELCOM RECOMMENDATION 10/7

Adopted 15 February 1989 having regard to Article 13,
Paragraph b) of the Helsinki Convention

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR RECEPTION OF WASTES

THE COMMISSION,

RECALLING HELCOM Recommendation 1/1 concerning Measures to Ensure the Use of Reception Facilities for Wastes from Ships,

RECALLING also HELCOM Recommendation 10/5 concerning Guidelines for the Establishment of Adequate Reception Facilities in Ports,

BEING CONVINCED that the establishment of common general requirements for reception of wastes in the Baltic Sea Area will be of great use to ships and ports,

RECOMMENDS the Governments of the Contracting Parties to the Helsinki Convention to take into account the general requirements for reception of wastes given in the Attachment to this Recommendation when applying the provisions of the Helsinki Convention relating to shore reception facilities.

ATTACHMENT

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR RECEPTION OF WASTES

1. OILY WASTES

a) Ballast water and tank washings

- Port requirements:
A sufficient reception capacity as referred to in the IMO Guidelines should be supplied under normal traffic conditions.
- Ship requirements:
Ships should give at least 24 hour's notice for using reception facilities.

b) Oily bilge water and sludge

- Port requirements:
A sufficient reception capacity as referred to in the IMO Guidelines should be provided.
- Ship requirements:
Ships of 999 GRT and below should be able to pump the residues with a minimum capacity of 2,5 m³/h and ships of 1000 GRT and above with a minimum capacity of 5, 0 m³/h.

Ships should give at least 24 hour's notice for using reception facilities. If the oily bilge water and sludge to be discharged contain cleaning agents then such information should be included in the notification to the port.

2. NOXIOUS LIQUID SUBSTANCES CARRIED IN BULK

- Port requirements:
Adequate reception arrangements as referred to in the IMO Guidelines should be provided.
- Ship requirements:
Ships should give at least 24 hour's notice for using reception facilities.

3. SEWAGE

- Port requirements:
Connection to local sewage system or sufficient capacity of mobile units should be provided.
- Ship requirements:
Ships should be able to pump out the residues in one hour or less.
Ships should give at least 24 hour's notice for using reception facilities.

4. GARBAGE

Containers and/or garbage bags should be provided on the quay or lifted on board the ship for domestic and other non-hazardous operational waste. Non-hazardous cargo residues, dunnage, linings, etc. should be taken care of separately in accordance with port requirements.

5. RESIDUES CONTAINING OTHER HARMFUL SUBSTANCES

Special arrangements should be made in accordance with port requirements.