



U.S. COAST GUARD EIGHTH DISTRICT  
GULF OF MEXICO OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF  
MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN  
MARINE CASUALTY REPORTING



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This Marine Safety Information Bulletin (MSIB) updates Marine Casualty Reporting guidance and procedures my office published on June 2, 2015 and September 5, 2017 for OCS units (as defined in 33 CFR 140.10) operating within the Gulf of Mexico. Compliance with this MSIB will ensure timely initial notifications to the appropriate Coast Guard unit.

The reporting of incidents (defined for the purposes of this MSIB as unwanted and/or unplanned) are essential to ensure that offshore risks are managed in an efficient, appropriate, and timely manner. The prescribed incident reporting requirements in 33 CFR Subchapter N are limited to death, injury of 5 or more persons in a single incident, damage affecting primary lifesaving/firefighting equipment, injury causing a person to be incapacitated for more than 72 hours, or damage exceeding \$25,000. However, other regulations or interagency agreements may require that the OCMI be informed of matters not addressed directly in the incident reporting requirements. In some instances, non-reporting may result in delayed agency action when required and/or bear punitive repercussions on operators and/or USCG licensed OCS personnel. Accordingly, it is recommended that matters impacting USCG regulated systems (e.g. firefighting, lifesaving, navigation, propulsion) be managed with a bias towards OCS OCMI reporting.

In the past, some industry incidents have been reported directly to a Marine Inspector or member of the OCS OCMI staff. This MSIB reiterates that incidents affecting units engaged in an OCS activity (as defined in 33 CFR 140.10) shall report incidents to the USCG Sector Command Center having Federal On Scene Coordinator Responsibilities over the block where operating utilizing the Eighth Coast Guard District Sector boundaries defined in 33 CFR 3.40. To assist OCS operators, this list of OCS blocks details the Sector responsible for each and the 24-hour, emergency Command Center phone number to be used when operating in a particular block.

**Sector New Orleans (504) 365-2533**

Amery Terrace	Ship Shoal
Eugene Island South Addition	Ship Shoal South Addition
Ewing Bank	South Marsh Island
Garden Banks (east of 092-10W)	South Marsh Island South Addition
Grand Isle	South Pass
Grand Isle South Addition	South Pass East and South Additions
Green Canyon	South Pelto
Lund	South Timbalier
Main Pass	South Timbalier South Addition
Main Pass East and South Additions	Walker Ridge
Mississippi Canyon	West Delta
West Delta South Addition	

**Sector Mobile (361) 939-6349**

Apalachicola	Lloyd Ridge
Corpus Christi	Mobile
De Soto Canyon	Pensacola
Destin Dome	The Elbow
Florida Middle Ground	Vernon Basin
Florida Plain	Viosca Knoll
Henderson	Howell Hook

**Sector Houston/Galveston (281) 464-4854**

Alaminos Canyon (check chart location)	Garden Banks (east of 093-25W to 092-10E)
Brazos	Garden Banks (to 093-25W)
Brazos South Addition	High Island
East Breaks (check chart location)	High Island East Addition and South Ext.
East Cameron	High Island East and South Additions
East Cameron South Addition	Keathley Canyon
Galveston	Mustang Island East Addition
Galveston South Addition	Vermillion
Vermillion South Addition	

**Sector Corpus Christi (361) 939-6349**

Alaminos Canyon (check chart location)	Port Isabel
East Breaks (check chart location)	South Padre Island
Matagorda Island	South Padre Island East Addition
Mustang Island	Mustang Island East Addition

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