

Abstract

The Role of the Rescue Service at the Liquidation of Marine Pollution

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The Estonian Rescue Service (ERB) has elaborated a service standard by training and composing education material. ERB has the possibility of receiving information from the CMSC of the Estonian Maritime Academy about oil spill movement. The responsibility for monitoring and control of marine pollution in Estonia is divided between several organizations. In the administrative territory of the Ministry of Interior, the Border Guard is responsible (through its marine guard centre) for the open sea pollution. The regional rescue institution is responsible for pollution in the coastal sea areas. Through this structure, the Voluntary Rescue Unit and local municipalities help with its resources. For the rescue of polluted sea birds, the Ministry of Environment is responsible.