

Emergencies include:

FIRE, COLLISION, STRANDING, POLLUTION and any other incident where risk of life or property occurs and must be reported immediately.

REPORTING: Vessel alongside – other than Falmouth Docks

VHF “Falmouth Coastguard” – channel 16 (24 hours)

Telephone: Coastguard, Fire, Police, Ambulance – Dial 999

REPORTING: Vessel at anchor, moored to buoy or underway in the Port

VHF “Falmouth Coastguard” – Channel 16 (24 hours) AND “Falmouth Pilots” on Channel 9

MESSAGE:

Vessels name and position with as much information about the incident as possible including: Full details of immediate assistance required.

Type, size of vessel, cargo details including **PRESENCE OF DANGEROUS GOODS.**

If fire, what is on fire – extent – possible dangers.

Damage – extent – effect on stability and seaworthiness.

Casualties – number – extent and type of injuries

Pollution – extent – type of oil – risk of further pollution

DO NOT DELAY INITIAL MESSAGE IF FULL DETAILS CANNOT BE PROVIDED

VESSELS AT ANCHOR, MOORED TO BUOYS OR UNDERWAY WITHIN THE PORT ARE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN A CONTINUOUS LISTENING WATCH ON VHF CHANNEL 16. MASTERS OF VESSELS AT ANCHOR ARE REQUIRED TO ENSURE THAT AN ADEQUATE ANCHOR WATCH IS MAINTAINED.

ACTION BY VESSEL IN EMERGENCIES

IN THE EVENT OF FIRE

Once the alarm has been raised, responsibility for initial firefighting will rest with the Master until the Fire Brigade arrives. Ships personnel should therefore start fighting the fire with all available appliances.

On arrival of the fire brigade control will pass to the Senior Fire Office present.

IN THE EVENT OF OIL POLLUTION

Having raised the alarm, the Master is responsible for taking all immediate steps to minimise pollution by stopping any oil overflow or leak and containing as much escaping oil as possible on board. **ON NO ACCOUNT IS OIL DISPERSANT TO BE APPLIED TO SPILT OIL WITHOUT APPROVAL OF THE HARBOUR MASTER.**

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