

INCIDENT CLASSIFICATION MATRIX

Instructions: Start at the top and continue down until you check off any one box in both consequence and probability to determine the incident classification. *This matrix is required as an attachment upon submission of an incident through the [Online Minor Incident Reporting System](#).*

TABLE 1. CONSEQUENCE RANKING

RANK	CONSEQUENCE (any one of the following)
4	<input type="checkbox"/> Major on site equipment or infrastructure loss <input type="checkbox"/> Major act of violence, sabotage, or terrorism which impacts permit holder assets <input type="checkbox"/> Reportable liquid spill beyond site, uncontained and affecting environment <input type="checkbox"/> Gas release beyond site affecting public safety
3	<input type="checkbox"/> Threats of violence, sabotage, or terrorism <input type="checkbox"/> Reportable liquid spill or gas release beyond site, potentially affecting public safety, environment, or property <input type="checkbox"/> HAZMAT worker exposure exceeding allowable <input type="checkbox"/> Major on site equipment failure
2	<input type="checkbox"/> Major on site equipment damage <input type="checkbox"/> A security breach that has potential to impact people, property or the environment <input type="checkbox"/> Reportable liquid spill or gas release potentially or beyond site, not affecting public safety, environment, or property
1	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate on site equipment damage <input type="checkbox"/> A security breach that impacts oil and gas assets <input type="checkbox"/> Reportable liquid spill or gas release on location <input type="checkbox"/> **Occurrence of magnitude 4.0 or greater induced earthquake within 3 km of oil and gas operations or any earthquake which is felt on surface within a 3 km radius of oil and gas operations
0	<input type="checkbox"/> No consequential impacts

** For this consequence criteria, a probability score of 2 or higher must be used.

TABLE 2. PROBABILITY RANKING

RANK	PROBABILITY (any one of the following)
4	<input type="checkbox"/> Uncontrolled, with control unlikely in near term
3	<input type="checkbox"/> Escalation possible; under or imminent control
2	<input type="checkbox"/> Escalation unlikely; controlled or likely imminent control
1	<input type="checkbox"/> Escalation highly unlikely; controlled or imminent control
0	<input type="checkbox"/> Will not escalate; no hazard; no monitoring required

TABLE 3. INCIDENT RISK SCORE AND CLASSIFICATION

CONSEQUENCE _____ + PROBABILITY _____ = RISK SCORE _____ (this must be completed)

RISK SCORE	ASSESSMENT RESULT
Minor (1-2)	Notification Only; permit holder must notify the Commission online within 24 hours using the Form A: Minor Incident Notification Form . In addition to Form A, spills must also be reported to EMBC.
Moderate (3-4)	Level-1 Emergency; immediate notification (call EMBC)
Major (5-6)	Level-2 Emergency; immediate notification (call EMBC)
Serious (7-8)	Level-3 Emergency; immediate notification (call EMBC)

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SPILL REPORTING CRITERIA

Where the permit holder holds or maintains rights, the permit holder must report to the BC Oil and Gas Commission, all spills of materials as identified below:

- A spill or release of any amount of materials which impacts water ways
- Hydrocarbons; 100 litres where the hydrocarbon contains no toxic materials and does not impact water ways
- Produced/salt water; 200 litres where the fluid contains no toxic materials
- Fresh water; 10,000 litres
- Drilling or invert mud; 100 litres
- Sour Natural gas; 10Kg or 15 m³ by volume where operating pressure is >100 PSI
- Condensate; 100 litres
- Any fluid including hydrocarbons, drilling fluids, invert mud, effluent, emulsions, etc. which contain toxic substances; 25 litres

Please refer to the BC Environmental Management Act; [Spill Reporting Regulation](#), Schedule “Reporting Levels for Certain Substances” for determining reportable spillage amounts of other substances:

OTHER REPORTABLE INCIDENTS

The Commission’s Incident Risk Classification Matrix is designed to assist permit holders in determining which incidents must be reported. However, some incidents, which do occur, may not meet the criteria outlined in the Incident Classification Matrix but still require notification to the Commission as a minor notification. These include the following:

- Spills or release of hazardous substances which are not provincially regulated, such as radioactive substances;
- Major damage to oil and gas roads or road structures;
- Drilling kicks when any one of the following occur:
 - pit gain of 3 m³ or greater
 - casing pressure 85% of MA
 - 50% out of hole when kicked
 - well taking fluid (LC)
 - associated spill
 - general situation deterioration, i.e. leaks, equipment failure, unable to circulate, etc
- Pipeline incidents, such as spills during construction phase, exposed pipe caused by flooding, pipeline over pressure, failure (without release) of any pressure control or ESD device during operations
- Security related issues which are relatively minor; such information may be required for tracking and monitoring purposes only



OGC Incident Classification Matrix

Consequence

		Probability					
		4	3	2	1	0	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Uncontrolled, with control unlikely in near term	<input type="checkbox"/> Escalation possible; under or imminent control	<input type="checkbox"/> Escalation unlikely; controlled or likely imminent control	<input type="checkbox"/> Escalation highly unlikely; controlled or imminent control	<input type="checkbox"/> Will not escalate; no hazard; no monitoring required	
Consequence	4	<input type="checkbox"/> Major on site equipment or infrastructure loss <input type="checkbox"/> Major act of violence, sabotage, or terrorism which impacts permit holder assets <input type="checkbox"/> Reportable liquid spill beyond site, uncontained and affecting environment <input type="checkbox"/> Gas release beyond site affecting public safety	Level 3	Level 3	Level 2	Level 2	Level 1
	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Threats of violence, sabotage, or terrorism <input type="checkbox"/> Reportable liquid spill or gas release beyond site, potentially affecting public safety, environment, or property <input type="checkbox"/> HAZMAT worker exposure exceeding allowable <input type="checkbox"/> Major on site equipment failure	Level 3	Level 2	Level 2	Level 1	Level 1
	2	<input type="checkbox"/> Major on site equipment damage <input type="checkbox"/> A security breach that has potential to impact people, property or the environment <input type="checkbox"/> Reportable liquid spill or gas release potentially or beyond site, not affecting public safety, environment, or property	Level 2	Level 2	Level 1	Level 1	Minor Notification Form
	1	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate on site equipment damage <input type="checkbox"/> A security breach that impacts oil and gas assets <input type="checkbox"/> Reportable liquid spill or gas release on location <input type="checkbox"/> ** Occurrence of magnitude 4.0 or greater induced earthquake within 3 km of oil and gas operations or any earthquake which is felt on surface within a 3 km radius of oil and gas operations	Level 2	Level 1	Level 1	Minor Notification Form	Minor Notification Form
	0	<input type="checkbox"/> No consequential impacts	Level 1	Level 1	Minor Notification Form	Minor Notification Form	No notification Required

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