## **Major Accident Advice**

In the event of a Major Incident, information and advice messages will be issued by the emergency services.

## **Potential Danger to the Public**

Should the event pose a potential danger to the public, the Community Warning System will be activated.

Householders and responsible persons in business/community premises must ensure that all occupants are familiar with the safety advice and the action to be taken.

#### **COMMUNITY WARNING SYSTEM**

The **WARNING SYSTEM** will have a **TW0-TONE SOUND** operating continuously for 5 minutes **ON**, followed by 1 minute **OFF**. This cycle will be repeated as long as it is considered necessary.

Public announcements and additional instructions may be issued by voice over the Community Warning System.

The ALL CLEAR will be a SINGLE TONE SOUND and will last for 5 minutes.

#### WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

On activation of the Community Warning System the public should:

- Immediately go indoors.
- Shut all external doors and windows and all other means of ventilation.
- 3 Extinguish all naked lights.
- 4 If possible, go to an upper floor.
- 5 Tune in to BBC Radio Scotland FM 92-95 MHz, MW 810 KHz, Local News or Police Scotland Facebook and Twitter.
- 6 Unless you have a real need for the emergency services, DO NOT use the telephone or mobile telephones until the ALL CLEAR is sounded to ensure lines are kept free.
- 7 Co-operate fully with the instructions given by the emergency services.
- 8 Remain indoors until you hear the ALL CLEAR or until you receive instructions from the Police.

# GO IN, STAY IN AND TUNE IN

Remember those who may need assistance – be a good neighbour.

The Community Warning System is tested on a regular basis.

In addition, a full Community Warning System test is carried out at:

7.00pm on the first Wednesday in June.

2.30pm on the first Wednesday in December.

All tests will be advised in advance.

# UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED, PLEASE TREAT ALL ALARMS AS GENUINE.

Emergency Instructions showing these actions are enclosed. Please:

- Ensure everyone in your home or work environment is familiar with it.
- Display it in a prominent place, especially in public and community premises where appropriate.
- Pass on to subsequent owners/occupiers.

If you require additional copies, please contact Falkirk Council or one of the member companies.

Additional information can be found on the following websites:

Falkirk Council

https://www.falkirk.gov.uk/services/ council-democracy/policies-strategies/ resilience-planning/default.aspx

MICC

https://miccgrangemouth.co.uk

Health and Safety Executive https://www.hse.gov.uk/comah/background/comah15.htm

The MICC partners thank you for taking the time to read this information.

Issued on behalf of the MICC partners

1. Dangerous Substances Categories

Flammable Liquids and Gases

**Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment** 

Toxic

Oxidising Gases

Oxidising Liquids and/or Solids

**Petroleum Products and Alternative Fuels** 

Other hazards (which fall into Category 01 - 03) see note (a) below

Other health hazards (named carcinogen)

Dangerous Substances/Mixtures that react adversely with water

**Energetic Materials** 

Flammable Aerosols

Pyrophoric Liquids and/or Solids

Self-reactive Substances and Mixtures and Organic Peroxides

- (a) Substances which fall into Category 01 03) in Schedule 1 Part 1 of the COMAH Regulations 2015 01 Substances or Mixtures with Hazard Statement EUH014 (Reacts violently with water)
  - 02 Substances and Mixures which in contact with water emit flammable gases (Category 1)
  - 03 Substances or Mixtures with Hazard Statement EUH029 (Contact with water liberates toxic gas)

# 2. Nature of Major Accident Hazards

#### Fire

Ranges from an intense fire lasting several seconds to large fires lasting several minutes or hours. Potential for fire damage to people and the environment and fires may spread to other areas, a drifting cloud of flammable gas may ignite. Fires may generate smoke clouds which may lead to breathing difficulties and deposition of soot on property and vegetation.

# **Explosion**

Levels of blast overpressure which may be harmful to humans and animals and damage buildings. Projectiles travelling at high speeds may also spread from the explosion presenting a risk to people, animals and damage buildings. Explosions may also initiate fires.

## **Toxic Gas or Smoke**

A gas cloud or smoke plume (includes ecotoxic smoke) containing dangerous substances.

Accidental Release of a Dangerous Substance encompasses:

Liquid release - liquid flowing on-site and off-site to sewer, freshwater, estuarine waters, coastal waters, land or groundwater. Damage to people and the environment. Environmental pollution and contamination of drinking water supplies.

Release of contaminated fire water containing dangerous substances - to sewer, freshwater, estuarine waters, coastal waters, land or groundwater.

Release of extremely cold liquids.

Release of liquid oxygen.

Release of oxidising substances - flowing on-site and off-site to sewer, controlled waters or groundwater.

Release of substances causing a decrease in oxygen levels.

If you would like additional copies contact Falkirk Council or one of the member companies



**Industrial Safety Plans for Grangemouth** 

Important
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**Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 2015** 

Issue No. 14 June 2023

Issued on behalf of the Grangemouth Major Incident Control Committee

# **Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 2015 (COMAH)**

# To: All Owners and Occupiers of properties in the Grangemouth area.

Dear Sir/Madam,

This Public Safety Information Booklet has been produced by the listed site operators who have establishments subject to the Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 2015 (COMAH) in the Grangemouth area.

This booklet is part of a continuing process of keeping you informed as required by COMAH and its issue does not imply any increased risk to the public from the activities.

Please destroy all previous issues.

COMAH operators who process or store more than specified quantities of certain dangerous substances are required to provide public information on safety measures to people likely to be affected by a major accident occurring at their facilities. These establishments can be split into two categories; upper and lower tier. 'Upper Tier' establishments are required to submit safety reports to the Health and Safety Executive and the Scottish Environment Protection Agency.

#### **UPPERTIER OPERATORS**

Calor Gas Ltd
Exolum Grangemouth Ltd
Fujifilm Imaging Colorants Ltd
H W Coates Ltd
Ineos Chemicals Grangemouth Ltd
Ineos FPS Ltd
Petroineos Manufacturing Scotland Ltd
Syngenta Ltd
Versalis UK Ltd

## **LOWER TIER OPERATORS**

Flogas Britain Ltd
INEOS Infrastructure (Grangemouth) Ltd

#### MICC MEMBER OPERATORS

BOC Ltd
Calachem Ltd
Forth Ports Ltd

These safety reports examine the systems used by the companies to ensure their processes are operated safely at all times. They also ensure that adequate steps are taken, as far as reasonably practicable, to prevent major accidents, or in the event of such accidents, to limit the effects on people and the environment.

The Major Incident Control Committee (MICC) was established in 1968 to assist the partners in responding to a major accident.

MICC is a partnership between site operators, Falkirk Council, Police Scotland, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Scottish Ambulance Service, Forth Valley NHS, Scottish Water, Health and Safety Executive, Scottish Environment Protection Agency, Scottish Gas Network, Scottish Power and Scottish Government.

MICC seeks to fulfil the requirements of the COMAH regulations for emergency plans, namely:

- Containing and controlling incidents to minimise the effects and to limit damage to persons, the environment and property.
- Implementing the measures necessary to protect persons and the environment from the effects of major accidents.
- Communicating the necessary information to the public, emergency services and relevant authorities.
- Assisting with the restoration and clean up of the environment following a major accident.

Integrated emergency plans exist which aim to reduce the effects of any major accident at these establishments. The MICC partners review and exercise these plans regularly and are involved in ongoing training to effectively respond to such major accidents.

# **Appendix: COMAH Upper Tier Site Operators Information**

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Establishment Details & Contact	Calor Gas Ltd. Bo'ness Road Abbotsinch Industrial Estate Grangemouth FK3 9UX	Exolum Grangemouth Ltd. Grange Dock Grangemouth FK3 8UD	Ineos Chemicals Grangemouth Ltd. Bo'ness Road Grangemouth FK3 9XH	Ineos FPS Ltd. Bo'ness Road Grangemouth FK3 9XH	Petroineos Manufacturing Scotland Ltd. Bo'ness Road Grangemouth FK3 9XH	Versalis UK Ltd. Bo'ness Road Grangemouth FK3 9XE	Fujifilm Imaging Colorants Ltd. Earls Road Grangemouth FK3 8XG	<b>HW Coates Ltd.</b> Earls Road Grangemouth FK3 8UU	Syngenta Ltd. Earls Road Grangemouth FK3 8XG
Site Activities	Fuel storage/ distribution	Fuel storage/ distribution	Petrochemical/ Oil Refineries	Petrochemical/ Oil Refineries Fuel storage/ distribution	Petrochemical/ Oil Refining	Plastic and rubber manufacture	Chemicals manufacture/ Production and/or disposal	Chemical installations - distribution / storage/ warehousing	Production and storage of pesticides, biocides, fungicides, herbicides
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