

Accidental or deliberate marine pollution: hydrocarbons or harmful substances, community framework for cooperation

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PURPOSE: to set up a Community framework for cooperation in the field of accidental or deliberate marine pollution between 01/01/2000 and 31/12/2006. **COMMUNITY MEASURE:** Decision 2850/2000 /EC of the Council and European Parliament. **CONTENT:** the framework for cooperation seeks to support and reinforce existing instruments for marine and coastal protection, public health as well as reinforcing the conditions for cooperation between the Member States in these areas. Marine pollution includes accidental or deliberate marine pollution caused by the spillage of hydrocarbons and other harmful substances at sea in large quantities. The framework for cooperation will simplify all measures taken since 1978, making them more coherent through the creation of a system of Community information and an action programme. The financial framework for the implementation of this Decision is set at MEUR 7 for the period 2000 to 2006. A rolling plan to implement the framework for cooperation shall contain individual actions to be undertaken. Each individual action shall be implemented in close cooperation with the competent authorities at national, regional, and local levels in the Member States. **ENTRY INTO FORCE:**28/12/2000.