

# CHIRP (Confidential Hazardous Incident Reporting Programme)

**International CHIRP Maritime** has been in operation since 2003, it became a Charitable Trust in 2006 and now relies on sponsorship for all the funding of activities with management and fiscal responsibilities held by an Independent Board of Trustees. In 2013 it was decided to encourage reporting of hazardous occurrences from a wider

audience, the infrastructure now receives reports from the maritime industry worldwide. New areas of reporting are those from the Middle and Far East shipping industry, port and harbour activities, the fishing industry and leisure users. In addition we welcome the new Ambassador initiative with the Nautical Institute.

## **What is the purpose of CHIRP?**

The aim of CHIRP is to contribute to the enhancement of aviation safety in the UK and maritime safety worldwide by providing a totally independent confidential (not anonymous) reporting system for all individuals employed in or associated with these industries.

## **Confidential Reporting**

Reporters' identities are kept confidential. Personal details are not retained and are returned to the reporter or destroyed on closure of their report. The information provided is made available, with the approval of the reporter and in a disidentified form, to those who can take action to remedy the problem.

## **Information Sharing**

Important information gained through reports, after being disidentified, is also made available as widely as possible. CHIRP publishes Maritime FEEDBACK newsletters containing a selection of reports (given the reporter's consent) combined with CHIRP's response, to make a wider audience aware of situations. **To have your own pdf copy of Maritime FEEDBACK subscribe to [mail@chirp.co.uk](mailto:mail@chirp.co.uk)**

## **Electronic Media**



: CHIRP MARITIME



: @CHIRP\_Maritime

## **CHIRP – Reporting Guidelines**

### **WHAT DO I REPORT?**

#### **Safety-related incidents or events involving:**

- Yourself
- Your organisation or your vessel
- Other people
- Your organisation or organisations you deal with

#### **Incidents/events can include:**

- Errors and 'near miss' incidents
- Individual performance
- Regulatory aspects
- Unsafe practices or design

#### **What Don't I Report?:**

- Incidents or events with no safety content
- Issues involving conflicts of personalities
- Industrial relations and/or terms and conditions of employment problems

#### **When Do I Report?:**

- When you are concerned and wish to protect your identity (please note that anonymous reports are not accepted)
- When you wish others to benefit from an important "Lesson Learned"
- When other reporting procedures are not appropriate or are not available
- When you have exhausted company/regulatory reporting procedures without the issue having been addressed

#### **Reporting can be sent via:**

- **Email:** [reports@chirp.co.uk](mailto:reports@chirp.co.uk)
- **Online:** [www.chirp.co.uk](http://www.chirp.co.uk)
- **Telephone:** +44 (0) 1252 378947

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