



OVID Highlights



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Welcome to our January issue of the OVID Highlights

We hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season, and we wish you all the best for the new year.

Houston, Texas

The OVID team was in Houston in December, conducting workshops for vessel operators, inspectors and OCIMF members. I would like to thank John Dabbar, Tim Stambolis and Karen Davies of ConocoPhillips, John MacDonald of TransOcean, and Harold Keys and Bill Toohey of Noble Drilling for hosting us. It was great to meet the participants and answer questions regarding OVID, the OVMSA, and the latest updates coming in early 2014 including the new MODU variants and question sets.

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OVID Statistics

Monthly	Nov. 2013	Dec. 2013
Number of Vessels	6537	6765
Number of Vessels with an OVID Inspection - 12 mos.	3526	3593
Number of vessel operators	1087	1101
Operators with published OVMSA	129	168
Total Operators who have started the online OVMSA	378	405
Total OVID Inspectors	714	713

OVID Updates

The OVID team is pleased to announce Ras Laffan Port in Qatar, has become the first Port in the world to adopt OVID as an entry requirement. OCIMF looks forward to working with Qatar Petroleum and Ras Laffan Port on this new initiative.

A notification was sent out by Ras Laffan Port on November 23rd, 2013 and reads as follows:

"As previously advised, and as part of our continual improvement to operational safety in Qatar Petroleum Industrial Ports, all vessels engaged in support of the offshore oil and gas industry will be required to have a valid OVID inspection report.

The OVID requirement will be implemented on January 1st, 2014 and all subject vessels will have to be in full compliance by June 1st 2014

OVID (Offshore Vessel Inspection Database) is a system of inspection and reporting that has been developed by Oil Companies Marine Forum (OCIMF), to provide an objective assessment of each vessel.

For further clarification and information on the OVID registration process, you may contact the Head of Port Regulations on 4473 3289 or 4013 8425"

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Director Industrial Cities

OCIMF/MSF Meeting Aberdeen

The MSF (Marine Safety Forum) invited OCIMF to a meeting they hosted in Aberdeen, Scotland on December 4th with 32 of their MSF members to discuss OVID and some of their questions and concerns. OCIMF would like to thank the MSF Chairman and Secretary for making the arrangements for this meeting.

OCIMF was represented by the following members:

David Cotterell-Director of OCIMF
Mark Newby-BG/Chairman of the Offshore Marine Committee (OMC)
Bert Zwiers-Shell/Vice Chairman of the OMC
Roger Moeskops-TOTAL/Chairman of the OVID Focus Group (OFG)
Lars Olsen-Maersk/Member OFG
Maurice Pickles-Chevron
Graeme Gardener-Exxon/IMT
Colin Gay-BP
Sean Nicholson-OCIMF

Many issues were discussed including current OVID numbers, OCIMF's relationship with IMCA, and how MSF members can contribute to OVID.

One of the issues which was discussed was the number of OVID inspections carried out on a vessel within 12 months. I have run the report on our database, and the numbers below clearly show our current inspection counts.

Our current numbers for 2013 January to November for inspections are as follows:

- 2 vessels inspected three times
- 90 vessels inspected twice
- 2214 vessels inspected once

As a result of this meeting, the OVID team will be returning to Aberdeen on February 4th, 5th, and 6th to carry out OVID workshops and an OVID user group meeting open to all vessel operators, OCIMF members, and inspection companies. If you would like to register for the workshops or the User Group, please send an email to Rachel Capeless at RachelCapeless@ocimf.com as seats are limited; the meetings will take place at the Rox Hotel.

Conoco OVID Workshop Houston, Texas



2014 OVID Schedule

There are NO new inspector courses currently scheduled for 2014

To be eligible to attend an OVID refresher course you must meet the following criteria:

- You must be within 12 months of your OVID expiry date
- You must have completed at least one (1) OVID inspection prior to taking the refresher course
- **If you do not meet either the first or second requirement, please do not contact us for a**

reservation for the refresher course.

- Refresher courses are free of charge/length 2 days/Exam must be completed and passed at end of course to maintain your accreditation.

Refresher Courses

2014 Dates to be released in January

If you have any questions regarding these courses, please feel free to contact me at sean.nicholson@ocimf.com.

OVID Picture of the Month...

This months picture was sent in by Captain Rob Janse of Global Maritime.



Need Help?

Please visit [HTTP://help.ocimf-ovid.com](http://help.ocimf-ovid.com). This site has many FAQ's as well as videos on how to use the OVID system for OCIMF Members, Inspectors and Vessel Operators.

Still need assistance? For IT issues or inspector registration issues please contact Aziz or Zoe:

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