

GARBAGE DISPOSAL

DISCHARGE OF ALL GARBAGE INTO THE SEA IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT AS GIVEN BELOW

1. For ALL types of vessels

Outside Special Areas designated under MARPOL Annex V:

- Comminuted or ground food wastes (capable of passing through a screen with openings no larger than 25 mm) may be discharged not less than 3 nautical miles from the nearest land.
- Other food wastes may be discharged not less than 12 nautical miles from the nearest land.
- Cargo residues classified as not harmful to the marine environment may be discharged not less than 12 nautical miles from the nearest land.
- Cleaning agents or additives in cargo hold, deck and external surfaces washing water may be discharged only if they are not harmful to the marine environment.
- With the exception of discharging cleaning agents in washing water, the ship must be en route and as far as practicable from the nearest land.

Inside Special Areas designated under MARPOL Annex V:

- More stringent discharge requirements apply for the discharges of food wastes and cargo residues; AND
- Consult Annex V and the shipboard garbage management plan for details.

2. For Fixed or Floating Platforms and All other ships when alongside or within 500 m of such platform

Exception: Comminuted or ground food wastes may be discharge from fixed or floating platforms located more than 12 miles from the nearest land and from all other ships when alongside or within 500 metres of such platforms.

Comminuted or ground food wastes must be capable of passing through a screen no larger than 25 millimetres.

For all areas of the sea, ships carrying specialized cargos such as live animals or solid bulk cargoes should consult Annex V and the associated Guidelines for the implementation of Annex V.

Type of garbage	Ships outside special areas	Ships within special areas	Offshore platforms (more than 12 nm from land) and all ships within 500 m of such platforms
Food waste comminuted or ground	Discharge permitted >3 nm from the nearest land as far as practicable and en route	Discharge permitted >12 nm from the nearest land as far as practicable and en route	Discharge permitted
Food waste not comminuted or ground	Discharge permitted >12 nm from the nearest land as far as practicable and en route	Discharge prohibited	Discharge prohibited
Cargo residues not contained in wash water	Discharge permitted >12 nm from the nearest land as far as practicable and en route	Discharge prohibited	Discharge prohibited
Cargo residues contained in wash water		Discharge permitted >12 nm from the nearest land as far as practicable, en route and subject to two additional conditions	Discharge prohibited
Cleaning agents and additives contained in cargo hold wash water	Discharge permitted	Discharge permitted >12 nm from the nearest land as far as practicable, en route and subject to two additional conditions	Discharge prohibited
Cleaning agents and additives in deck and external surfaces wash water		Discharge permitted	Discharge prohibited
Carcasses of animals carried on board as cargo and which died during the voyage	Discharge permitted as far from the nearest land as possible and en route. Should be >100nm and max water depth	Discharge prohibited	Discharge prohibited
All other garbage including plastics, synthetic ropes, fishing gear, plastic garbage bags, incinerator ashes, clinkers, cooking oil, floating dunnage, lining and packing materials, paper, rags, glass, metal, bottles, crockery and similar refuse	Discharge prohibited	Discharge prohibited	Discharge prohibited
Mixed Garbage	When garbage is mixed with or contaminated by other harmful substances prohibited from discharge or having different discharge requirements, the more stringent requirements shall apply.		
SPECIAL AREAS			
The Mediterranean Sea, the Baltic Sea, the Black Sea, The Red Sea, the "Gulfs Area", the North Sea, the Antarctic and the Wider Caribbean Region including Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea.			
PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE SEA AREAS			
Discharge of ALL TYPES of garbage is STRICTLY PROHIBITED anywhere within the Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas (PSSAs eg. The Great Barrier Reef, Torres Straits, Western European etc) and Bohai Sea, China. Special discharge restriction and more stringent protective measures will apply to vessels operation in PSSA. Local regulations are to be confirmed with agent for disposal requirements.			

**Discharge of any type of garbage in must be entered the Garbage Record Book
Violation of these requirements may result in penalties.**