

# Notifiable Incident NOTIFICATION FORM

Under Regulation 20 of the *Chemicals Act (Control of Major Accident Hazards Involving Dangerous Substances) Regulations [2015 S.I. 209 of 2015]*

This completed form is to be immediately sent to the Health and Safety Authority ([comah@hsa.ie](mailto:comah@hsa.ie)) when an incident of the type specified in Schedule 7 has occurred.

## OPERATOR INFORMATION

Notified name of operator:	
Notified address:	Address of establishment where incident took place (if different):
Email contact address:	Contact Phone Number:

## BASIC INCIDENT DETAILS

Date of incident:	Time of incident:
Dangerous substance(s) involved (identity and quantity):	Applicable Schedule 7 reporting criteria [1, 2(a), 2(b) or 2(c)]:
Directly related activity being undertaken at time of incident:	Precise location of incident:
Is the incident covered by Schedule 6?	If so, which Schedule 6 criteria apply (e.g. 2(a), 3(b) etc.):

## DESCRIPTION OF THE INCIDENT

Full description of incident (add separate sheet if necessary):
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## SCHEDULE 7

### Criteria For The Notifiable Incident Referred To In Regulation 20

1. An explosion or fire involving a dangerous substance occurring in an establishment which resulted in the stoppage of any part of the establishment or suspension of normal work in that establishment for more than 24 hours.
2. The uncontrolled or accidental release or the escape of any dangerous substance from any apparatus, equipment, pipework, pipeline, process plant, storage vessel, tank or tanker, which, having regard to the nature of the substance and the extent and location of the release or escape, might have been liable to cause:
  - (a) serious injury consequences to human health;
  - (b) serious damage to the environment; or
  - (c) damage to property;of the type described in Schedule 6.

## SCHEDULE 6

### Criteria For The Notification Of A Major Accident To The European Commission As Provided For In Regulation 19(2).

Any major accident covered by paragraph 1 or having at least one of the consequences described in paragraphs 2, 3, 4 and 5 must be notified to the European Commission.

- I. Dangerous substances involved
  1. Any fire or explosion or accidental discharge of a dangerous substance involving a quantity of at least 5 % of the qualifying quantity laid down in Column 3 of Part 1 or in Column 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 1.
  2. Injury to persons and damage to real estate:
    - (a) a death;
    - (b) six persons injured within the establishment and hospitalised for at least 24 hours;
    - (c) one person outside the establishment hospitalised for at least 24 hours;
    - (d) dwelling(s) outside the establishment damaged and unusable as a result of the accident;
    - (e) the evacuation or confinement of persons for more than 2 hours (persons × hours): the value is at least 500;
    - (f) the interruption of drinking water, electricity, gas or telephone services for more than 2 hours (persons × hours): the value is at least 1,000.
  3. Immediate damage to the environment:
    - (a) permanent or long-term damage to terrestrial habitats:
      - (i) 0.5 ha or more of a habitat of environmental or conservation importance protected by legislation;
      - (ii) 10 or more hectares of more widespread habitat, including agricultural land;
    - (b) significant or long-term damage to freshwater and marine habitats:
      - (i) 10 km or more of river or canal;
      - (ii) 1 ha or more of a lake or pond;
      - (iii) 2 ha or more of delta;
      - (iv) 2 ha or more of a coastline or open sea;
    - (c) significant damage to an aquifer or underground water:
      - 1 ha or more.
  4. Damage to property:
    - (a) damage to property in the establishment: at least EUR 2,000,000;
    - (b) damage to property outside the establishment: at least EUR 500,000.
  5. Cross-border damage

Any major accident directly involving a dangerous substance giving rise to effects outside the territory of the Member State concerned.

II. Accidents or 'near misses' which Member States regard as being of particular technical interest for preventing major accidents and limiting their consequences and which do not meet the quantitative criteria above should be notified to the European Commission.