

Fuel Installations at Has-Saptan, Ras Hanžir, Wied  
Dalam, Luqa Airport Depot, and Biržebbuġa

# INFORMATION TO THOSE LIVING NEAR THE INSTALLATIONS





## AS REQUIRED BY LEGAL NOTICE 179/2015 CONTROL OF MAJOR ACCIDENT HAZARDS REGULATIONS

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### **TO OUR NEIGHBOURS**

This information is being made available to you due to your close proximity to one of our fuel storage facilities at Has-Saptan, Ras Hanżir, Wied Dalam, Birżebbuġa and Luqa Airport Depot. These installations are operated by Enemed Co. Ltd. The Control of Major Accident Hazards (COMAH) Regulations (Legal Notice 179/2015) require a plan and information to be provided to the public in case of emergency.

Importation and distribution of petroleum products from ships and through pipelines take place at these installations. Products include petrol, diesel and Jet A1 used in aviation. These products are stored in above and underground tanks, which are connected by pipelines and through underground tunnels.

We have years of experience in running such facilities. The emergencies that we have considered in our Safety Report include explosions and large fires. We are confident that these are very unlikely to happen. However, if an emergency does occur, we want to be able to let you know and what you have to do. Emergency Instructions are given in this leaflet.

In the event of an explosion or large fire there may be a substantial amount of smoke and fumes. Smoke and fumes will normally go upwards and therefore do not affect surrounding buildings. However, in the unlikely event of fire or a high concentration of fumes as well as a combination of atmospheric conditions (wind direction and speed) this could be dangerous to our immediate neighbours.

## **PLANT AND OPERATIONS**

There are worldwide standards for the construction and operation of petroleum installations. In fact all the tanks within the installations were constructed to the highest standards at the time. All tanks and apparatus are regularly maintained to recognised standards and inspected periodically.

The installations are managed by a team of qualified operators and professionals who are present at the sites during operations. Special training on fire fighting and fire drills are conducted regularly.

The installations are subject to the 'Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations' (Legal Notice 179/2015) which require a 'Safety Report' of all activities on sites through recognised specialised consultants. We also have an Emergency Plan to deal with unexpected events. The 'Safety Report' has been submitted to the competent authority established by these regulations.

## **EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS**

We have issued Emergency Instructions to assist you in an emergency. These were prepared in consultation with Civil Protection Department. Kindly familiarise yourself with these instructions and you may print them and keep them in an easily accessible place.

## **ALARM**

We have installed a special alarm system to give notification of an emergency. The sound of the alarm is distinctive as it is very high in volume and alternates. There may be other alarm sounds used in the installations from time to time. However, the special alarm sound is distinguishable as it alternates between two tones (two tone warble) like that of an ambulance. When the emergency is over, the same alarm system will sound with only one tone.



You can distinguish the sound of the alarm when it is tested for 10 seconds every first Tuesday of September of each year at 9:00 am. You will be notified of this test through notices in the local newspapers and on radio. The alarm will only sound if there is danger to people outside the installations. If you see fire or smell fuels but the alarm does not sound, this means there is no danger to the public. The other alarms which may be used within our sites are less powerful than the special alarm and sound different. You may hear these internal alarms from time to time as we test them regularly.

If your home is situated near one of our installations it is important to make sure that all members of the household are aware of these arrangements. If you have a business nearby, it is important that your employees as well as your regular customers know about these arrangements.

If you need further information please contact Enemed on 2220 8000 or visit our website [www.enemed.com.mt](http://www.enemed.com.mt). Thank you for your cooperation.

## **EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS**

On hearing the siren you are to follow these instructions:

The Alarm siren is an alternating high-low sound that will sound for at least one minute.

Seek shelter by entering the closest secure building; this will screen you from any external danger, such as high temperatures resulting from explosion or fire. Staying indoors will reduce traffic congestion and will keep streets clear for rescue operations to reach the place of incident.

Close doors, windows and louvers, and turn off ventilation or block other vents to protect yourself from entry of flying objects resulting from explosions and fumes.



Stay in a room farthest away from the accident preferably with an exit to the outside. Do not stay behind doors and windows leading to outside.

Avoid unnecessary use of telephone and mobile. Telephone and mobile telephone lines must not be overloaded so that people in real danger can contact the rescue services. Use the telephone ONLY if you require assistance.

Do not smoke. Turn off any flames. Flammable gas may be in the air.

Listen to the media. More details and instructions will be given over the media. (PBS radio 93.7 MHz FM, or PBS TV)

Wait for the 'ALL CLEAR' signal that indicates that the danger is over.

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