

Ocean Disposal of Marine Mammal Carcasses: Reporting Form for Government Entities and Stranding Agreement Holders (Section A of MPRSA General Permit)

Government entities as well as Marine Mammal Health and Stranding Response Program Stranding Agreement Holders (Stranding Agreement Holders) must submit a report to the applicable EPA regional office within 30 days after the ocean disposal of the marine mammal carcass authorized under Section A of the MPRSA general permit. Government entities and Stranding Agreement Holders may use this reporting form to submit reports to the appropriate EPA regional contact. For additional information on the MPRSA general permit, including points of contact and frequently asked questions, please visit EPA's website: www.epa.gov/ocean-dumping/ocean-disposal-marine-mammal-carcasses

Please note: Permittees must immediately notify EPA of any violation of any condition of the general permit.

Description of the carcass(es) disposed in ocean waters:

For example, "one gray whale approximately 30 feet in length"

Date of ocean disposal: (mm/dd/yyyy)

Time of ocean disposal: (24-hr format)

Location of ocean disposal

Reported in decimal degrees at the highest degree of accuracy available. For example, -43.31955

Latitude: *N is positive, S is negative (-)*

Formula to convert to decimal degrees (dd):
 $dd = \text{degrees} + \text{minutes}/60 + \text{seconds}/3600$

Longitude: *E is positive, W is negative (-)*

Datum of coordinates:

Person in charge of ocean disposal operation:

Name:

Title:

Affiliation:

Phone Number:

Email:

Under the MPRSA General Permit for Ocean Disposal of Marine Mammal Carcasses [81 FR 87928], permittees are required to report to EPA on ocean disposal of marine mammal carcasses within 30 days of disposal. Information you provide on this form will satisfy these reporting requirements. The information collection in this form is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act and requires a currently valid control number from the Office of Management and Budget. The control number is 2040-0008 and expires 3/31/23. Whether you respond using this form is voluntary.

Person in charge of vessel or vehicle that transported the carcass for ocean disposal, if different than above:

Name:

Title:

Affiliation:

Phone Number:

Email:

Please provide a statement of need and rationale for selecting ocean disposal rather than other disposal options:

Responses to the following questions in this report are optional.

Did EPA make a determination that the carcass(es) must be sunk rather than released?

YES

NO

If yes, what materials were used to sink the carcass(es)?

Please provide other notable details of, or problems encountered during, the disposal event: