

# Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR)

## Site Report for HM Naval Base Clyde

Report for period 1 July to 31 December 2021

### Foreword

This report is issued as part of ONR's commitment to make information about inspection and regulatory activities relating to the above site available to the public. Reports are distributed to members for the Clyde Local Liaison Committee and are also available on the ONR website (<http://www.onr.org.uk/llic/>).

Site inspectors from ONR usually attend Clyde Local Liaison Committee meetings where these reports are presented and will respond to any questions raised there. Any person wishing to inquire about matters covered by this report should contact ONR.

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# 1. Inspections

## 1.1. Dates of Inspection

The ONR site inspector made inspections on the following dates during the report period 1 July – 31 December 2021:

- 25 & 26 August
- 18 & 19 October
- 8 & 9 December

## 2. Routine Matters

### 2.1. Inspections

The majority of sites inspected by ONR are licensed under the Nuclear Installations Act 1965. HM Naval Base Clyde is not a licensed site, although it operates under Authorisation from the Ministry of Defence (MOD) Defence Nuclear Safety Regulator (DNSR). The site comprises the Faslane and Coulport facilities and is regulated by ONR through other legislation as noted below. Inspections are undertaken as part of the process for monitoring compliance with:

- the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 (HSWA74); and
- regulations made under HSWA74, for example the Ionising Radiations Regulations 2017 (IRR17) and the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 (MHSWR99).

In this period, routine inspections of the site covered the following:

- emergency preparedness;
- incidents on the site;
- conventional (non-nuclear) health and safety;

During the reporting period, ONR judged the arrangements made and implemented by the site in response to safety requirements to be satisfactory in the areas inspected. Where improvements have been identified, the dutyholder has made a commitment to address those issues, and ONR inspectors will closely monitor progress during future site inspections. Where necessary, ONR will take formal regulatory enforcement action to ensure that appropriate remedial measures are implemented to reasonably practicable timescales. Members of the public, who would like further information on ONR's inspection activities during the reporting period, can view site Intervention Reports at [www.onr.org.uk/intervention-records](http://www.onr.org.uk/intervention-records) on our website [www.onr.org.uk](http://www.onr.org.uk). Should you have any queries regarding our inspection activities, please email [contact@onr.gov.uk](mailto:contact@onr.gov.uk).

During this period the following routine activities took place:

- annual review meetings
- emergency exercises and review meetings

### 2.2. Other Work

ONR, along with the DNSR and the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA), attended the annual level 1 Regulatory Interface Forum (RIF), which provides an update on HMNB Clyde programme and safety performance at the strategic level.

### 3. Non-Routine Matters

Dutyholders may report to ONR non-routine matters and events. ONR inspectors judge the adequacy of the dutyholders response, including actions taken to implement any necessary improvements.

Matters and events of particular note during the period were:

The site reported an event under the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations (RIDDOR). The report related to a dangerous occurrence which occurred during an activity involving live electrical working, no persons were injured. ONR is currently investigating the RIDDOR event.

## 4. Regulatory Activity

ONR may issue formal documents to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements. In addition, inspectors may take a range of enforcement actions, to include issuing an Enforcement Notice.

- No Enforcement Notices or Enforcement letters were issued during this period.
- During this period ONR has been investigating the RIDDOR reportable event.

Reports detailing the above regulatory decisions can be found on the ONR website at <http://www.onr.org.uk/pars/>.

## 5. News from ONR

For the latest news and information from the Office for Nuclear Regulation, please read and subscribe to our regular email newsletter 'ONR News' at [www.onr.org.uk/onrnews](http://www.onr.org.uk/onrnews)

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