
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Oil and Gas Authority (Offshore Petroleum)
(Retention of Information and Samples) Regulations 2018**

PART 2

Retention of petroleum-related information

Information acquired or created under a production licence

4.—(1) A relevant person who holds an offshore licence⁽¹⁾ to search and bore for, and get, petroleum must retain any petroleum-related information relating to—

- (a) the position or dimensions of a well, including the directional path of the borehole;
- (b) the material, equipment or components used in any of the following activities in relation to a well—
 - (i) drilling;
 - (ii) any test carried out on any petroleum encountered;
 - (iii) any test carried out on the well;
 - (iv) completion work;
 - (v) production;
 - (vi) maintenance;
 - (vii) suspending the use of a well such that it may be re-used for the purpose of getting petroleum or other works;
 - (viii) plugging, or
 - (ix) abandoning a well permanently;
- (c) any summary of any of the activities listed in sub-paragraph (b);
- (d) the strata, formations or fluids which are or may be encountered while undertaking any of the activities listed in sub-paragraph (b) other than production;
- (e) the quantity of petroleum or any other fluid produced from or injected into a reservoir where the information relates to a period of twenty-four hours or more;
- (f) the chemical composition or characteristics of petroleum or any other fluid produced from or injected into a reservoir;
- (g) the quantity of gas which is produced from a reservoir which is flared, vented or used in or during production from that reservoir;
- (h) the chemical composition or characteristics of gas which is produced from a reservoir which is flared, vented or used in or during production from that reservoir;

⁽¹⁾ “Offshore licence” is defined in section 18(1) of the Energy Act 2016.

- (i) the quantity of petroleum or any other fluid produced or used in or during production from a reservoir which is transported from the petroleum field where the information relates to a period of twenty-four hours or more; or
 - (j) the chemical composition or characteristics of petroleum or any other fluid produced or used in or during production from a reservoir which is transported from the petroleum field;
 - (k) the most recent version of a computerised model.
- (2) In this regulation—
- “characteristics” includes temperature and pressure;
 - “completion work” has the meaning given in clause 21(4) of the Schedule to the Petroleum Licensing (Production) (Seaward Areas) Regulations 2008(2).