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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2019 No. 42**

**MERCHANT SHIPPING  
MARINE POLLUTION**

**The Merchant Shipping (Prevention  
of Oil Pollution) Regulations 2019**

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**THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (PREVENTION  
OF OIL POLLUTION) REGULATIONS 2019**

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**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) Regulations 2019. (See end of Document for details)

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SCHEDULE — Part 1: Amendments

1. The Merchant Shipping (Reporting Requirements for Ships Carrying Dangerous or Polluting Goods) Regulations 1995
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  3. The Offshore Petroleum Activities (Oil Pollution Prevention and Control) Regulations 2005
  4. The Marine Strategy Regulations 2010
  5. The Environmental Regulation (Significant Environmental Harm) (Scotland) Order 2014
  6. The Conservation of Offshore Marine Habitats and Species Regulations 2017
  7. The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution from Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk) Regulations 2018
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Explanatory Note

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