

# MARINER



Enhancing HNS preparedness  
through training and exercising

**E-Learning Course for IHR**

Task 5: Training

Action 5.2: E Learning for IHR

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## 1. Introduction

The general objective of MARINER is to improve regional cooperation in planning, preparedness and response to HNS spills by improving training and exercise, increasing awareness and information exchange, and by capitalization and translation of HNS relevant R & D projects' outcomes into operational products.

## 2. Mariner E Learning Course on International Health Regulations

Welcome to this e-learning course on maritime pollution and the International Health Regulations. In this course we will look at how maritime pollution events can cross international borders and how such events will need to be assessed.

The International Health Regulations (2005) (or IHR) are a legally binding agreement that provides a unique public health framework in the form of obligations and recommendations that enable Countries (termed state parties in the Regulations) to better prevent, prepare for—and respond to—public health emergencies of international concern (PHEIC). IHR require Countries to carry out an assessment of public health events occurring within their territories using the decision instrument provided in Annex 2 of the Regulations. Countries are required to notify the World Health Organization of all events that have the potential to be a public health emergency of international concern within 24 hours of such an assessment.

The World Health Organization recognises that there is a need to provide Countries with better guidance on how chemical risks can be assessed and notified under IHR. As a result, this eLearning course has been produced to help Countries assess the risks of a maritime pollution under IHR and determine if it is necessary to notify the World Health Organization.

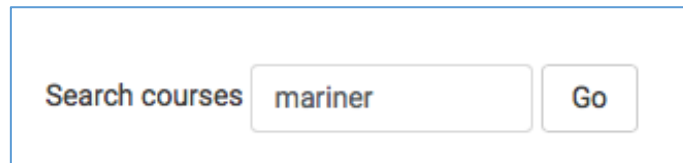
The eLearning course includes an introduction to IHR, a module explaining how maritime pollution may require assessment under IHR and an interactive case study to provide users with a fictitious scenario to assess using the IHR decision instrument. The eLearning will complement additional materials being developed by the World Health Organization on IHR.



### 3. Instructions for Accessing the Course

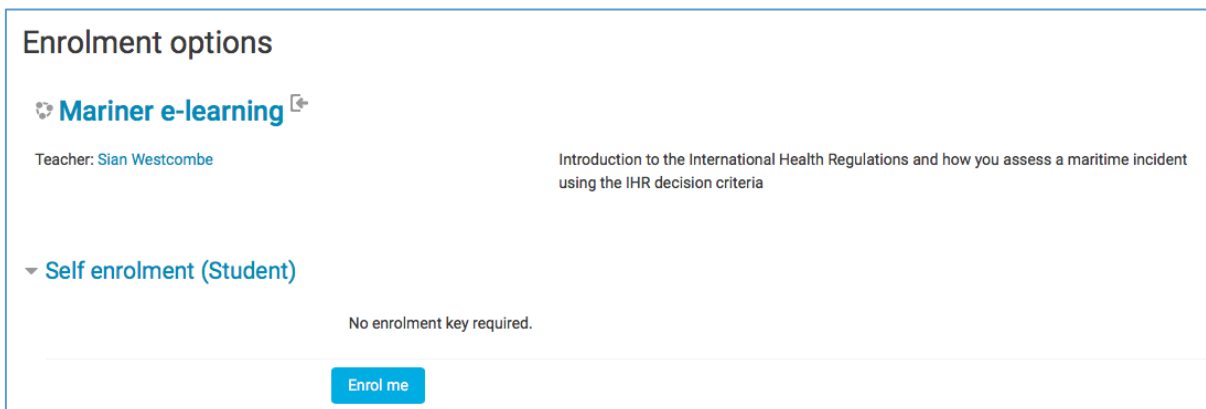
The eLearning course is free but if you are accessing the eLearning course for the first time you will need to create an account on the website first. Follow these easy to follow instructions to create an account and start your maritime eLearning course.

1. Go to <https://metconnect.cardiffmet.ac.uk>
2. Scroll to the bottom of the screen, underneath “Is this your first time here” and click Create New Account.
3. Fill in your details. Make sure you fill in all fields marked with a \*. Choose a username and password that you will remember.
4. Click Create my new account
5. Go to your email and click to confirm your account.
6. You will now be taken to a list of courses. The quickest way to find the course is by typing Mariner in the Search box.





Search courses

7. You will see the following screen. Click Enrol me.



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 **Mariner e-learning** 

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Introduction to the International Health Regulations and how you assess a maritime incident using the IHR decision criteria

▼ **Self enrolment (Student)**

No enrolment key required.

8. You should now be able to access the Mariner elearning materials.
9. If you experience any problems please email: [ChemicalsCardiff@phe.gov.uk](mailto:ChemicalsCardiff@phe.gov.uk) Please title your email “**Mariner IHR E-Learning**” and describe the issue in the email text.

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