

# Basic Safety for Coastal Oil Spills

## INTRODUCTION

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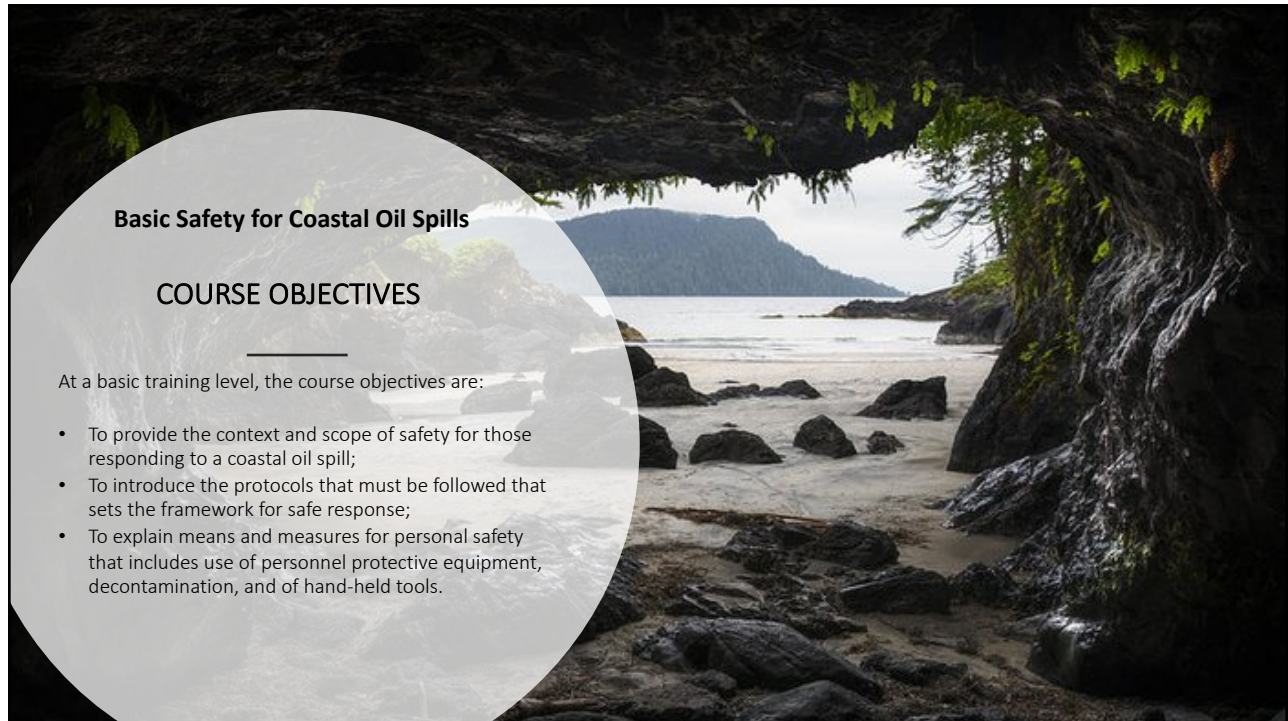


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Dedicated to oil spill workers



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**Basic Safety for Coastal Oil Spills**

**COURSE OBJECTIVES**

At a basic training level, the course objectives are:

- To provide the context and scope of safety for those responding to a coastal oil spill;
- To introduce the protocols that must be followed that sets the framework for safe response;
- To explain means and measures for personal safety that includes use of personnel protective equipment, decontamination, and of hand-held tools.

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Course  
Scope

## Basic Safety for Coastal Oil Spills

Includes  
“Basic”

This course pertains to hazards and safety applicable to shore-based working environment such as footing terrain (slips, falls, sprains), oil exposure (vapours, contacts), weather (fog, heat, cold), shore environments (waves, surges), and wildlife hazards (bears, cougars, wolfs).  
The course addresses hazards related to manual shore-based operations using equipment such as shovels, rakes, axes, and water hoses.

These are basic hazards and safety matters when working in oiled shores within a coastal environment

Excludes  
“Additional”

This course does not pertain to risk and safety related to:

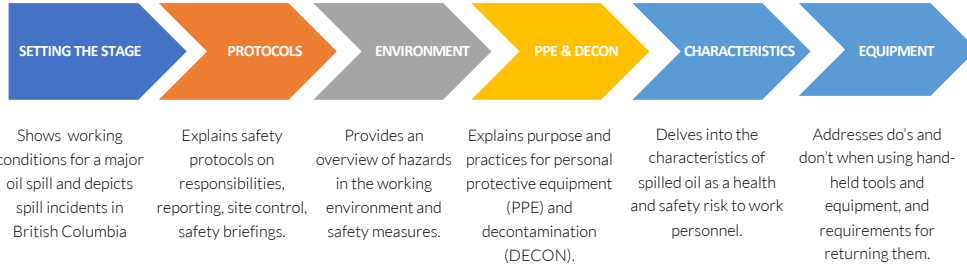
- Operation of powered equipment such as: chainsaw, pumps, and skimmers;
- Boom deployment;
- Use of vessels and vehicles;
- Aircraft safety;
- Wilderness survival.

These activities are additional, job-specific safety courses.  
The course does not delve into legal and regulatory requirements for worker safety.

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## Coarse Structure

This course on basic oil spill safety is structured for those that could encounter oiled shores as a field observer, supervisor, team leader, or workforce member. Safety focus is on working environments and oil products.



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## Audience & Course Delivery

This course is a safety primer for:

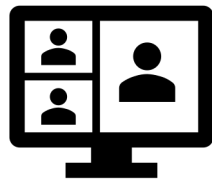
- **Technical Specialists** undertaking field assignments that could expose them to oil, such as: shoreline cleanup assessment, oil sampling, and wildlife surveys.
- **Supervisors** for on-shore operations such a shore treatments and oily waste management.
- **Workforce** members undertaking oiled shore cleanup using manual, hand-held tools such as rakes, shovels, hoses, and buckets.

The course is intended to be:

- Delivered by a qualified instructor, and
- Required before being assigned to a field observation/assignment task or allowed access to an oil-contaminated work site.



Classroom



Virtual Webinar

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