

## What can happen?

If despite all safety precautions a hazardous incident should occur, not only is a fire possible, but also the release of flammable liquids. This can cause damage to human health, damage the environment, or cause property damage outside the fuel depot.

Depending on how severe the incident is, pollution of the air, soil and water may also result.

In case of a hazardous incident, immediately seek shelter in a building and close the windows and doors as tightly as possible.

Substances which may be involved in a hazardous incident: The following overview applies for **diesel fuel** and **heating oil** (very light)

## Primary hazard/hazard symbol



- H226** Flammable liquid and vapour.
- H304** May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.
- H315** Causes skin irritation.
- H332** Harmful if inhaled.
- H350** May cause cancer
- H373** May cause damage to organs, through prolonged or repeated exposure
- H411** Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
  
- P201** Obtain special instructions before use.
- P210** Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. – No smoking
- P260** Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
- P301 + 310** IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
- P331** Do NOT induce vomiting
- P501** Dispose of contents/container to

## What to do in case of a hazardous incident

For our neighbours at the site

You should be aware that some time can pass from the time of the alarm sounding until an announcement is made over a mobile PA vehicle or on the radio. The area of your neighbourhood will only be alarmed if due to the direction of the wind and weather conditions the threat of a hazard from burning gas or vapours cannot be ruled out.

### ① Notice the alarm

- Listen to public address announcements.
- STAY CALM (you will be notified of anything important in good time).
- Always observe the instructions given by rescue services (fire brigade, police, etc.).

### ② Move to closed rooms

- Closed rooms protect against the passing "hazardous substance cloud".
- Stay away from the site of the accident; you can endanger yourself there as well as obstructing the work of despatched rescue services.

### ③ Close windows and doors!

- Switch off any air condition or ventilation systems.
- Stay in your rooms (if you detect a smell, try to move to an inner room or to a higher floor of your building).
- In case of damage to your health, please consult your personal physician or notify paramedics (in emergencies, call an ambulance).

### ④ Do not make unnecessary phone calls

- Do not block the phone line to the fire brigade, the police, rescue services or to the fuel depot (emergencies excepted) to ask questions.
- In case of need, our info phone number can be dialled under: +49 (0) 421 / 39699 – 0.

### ⑤ Switch on the radio!

- Tune in to a local station. There will be further announcements on what to do or an "all-clear" announced.

### ⑥ Wait for an all-clear announcement

- Listen for all-clear announcements from a mobile PA vehicle or on the radio.
- You will be fully informed in a timely manner about the causes and extent of damage.

These instructions on what to do should be observed whenever an emergency of this magnitude occurs, for a serious incident, this checklist as proven exceptionally useful.

## IMPORTANT BULLETIN

Appropriate conduct in case of a hazardous incident  
**IMPORTANT BULLETIN**  
for nearby neighbourhoods

Safety instructions  
acc. to § 11 of the

Hazardous Incidents  
Ordinance  
for the  
operating premises of

WESER-PETROL  
Seehafentanklager  
GmbH & Co. KG

Within the operating  
premises of  
Rhenus Midgard  
GmbH & Co. KG

Midgardstr. 50  
26954 Nordenham

Dear Neighbour,

We operate a fuel depot for storage and transshipment of common mineral oil products such as diesel fuel and heating oil at the Nordenham seaport on the factory premises of Rhenus Midgard.

Safety forms the foundation of what we do at our fuel depot and this has a long tradition. That is why we are informing you as our neighbour about safety measures and the proper conduct in case of operational disturbances.

That is the purpose of our information bulletin. After consulting with the authorities, we have distributed the bulletin as a precaution to all neighbours within a radius of 500 m.

This is only a precautionary measure which accounts for even the most improbable possibilities of an incident.

As part of our safety precautions, this information bulletin provides you with general instructions on what to do and safety recommendations.

We show you what can happen during a hazardous incident and most importantly what you can do yourself to protect yourself in the event of a hazardous incident.

- **Please read this information carefully and especially keep the "What to do in a hazardous incident" section within easy reach.**
- **If you move house, we request that you give this information bulletin to the next occupants/tenants of your home.**
- **Additional copies are available from our company.**

If you should have any questions or wish to know more, please do not hesitate to contact our employees.

For more information about the Diersch&Schröder Group, please visit our Web site at [www.ds-bremen.de](http://www.ds-bremen.de).

Your **WESER-PETROL**  
Seehafentanklager GmbH & Co. KG  
- Company Management -  
**Rhenus Midgard** GmbH & Co. KG

## Who are we?

The WESER – PETROL Seehafentanklager GmbH & Co. KG is responsible for fuel depot operations within the Diersch&Schröder Group. Mineral oil and biodiesel products are stored and transshipped at our own fuel depots.

The Group companies trade and store mineral oil, biodiesel and molasses, operate petrol stations as well as specialising in alternative energies, chemicals, IT and support services.

The most common mineral oil products are stored in fuel tanks at our fuel depot in Nordenham. Incoming product is supplied by ocean-going and inland waterway vessels and outgoing product via road tankers, tank railcars, ocean-going and inland waterway vessels and bunker boats.

Given these modes of transport, operations are subject to the Hazardous Incidents Ordinance. As a result, compulsory notification must be made to the appropriate authority, the Oldenburg Trade Supervisory Office (Gewerbeaufsichtsamt). We have met this formal obligation.

All of our plant equipment must fulfil very stringent statutory safety requirements. These requirements and other measures have been carefully fulfilled and implemented to protect our employees, the neighbourhood and the environment. In close cooperation with our partner, Rhenus Midgard GmbH & Co. KG, we have created the prerequisites for safe operation of our plant equipment.

We thus make safety our no. 1 priority and this does not end at our factory gate, either. Based on our sense of responsibility, while observing statutory regulations and in collaboration with the authorities and technical specialist organisations, we do everything possible to protect our employees and the environment of our area of operation from hazards.

**Please refer to the "What can happen?" section to learn what substances may be involved in a hazardous incident and what their hazard characteristics are.**

We are glad to provide information:

**WESER-PETROL** Seehafentanklager GmbH & Co. KG

**Rhenus Midgard** GmbH & Co. KG

## What preventive measures do we take?

The plant equipment to which the Hazardous Incidents Ordinance applies was given a safety analysis by independent experts. Their results were put into practice when taking the equipment into operation.

In accordance with regulations and in collaboration with the responsible authorities, we have drawn up a precautionary "company emergency operations plan" for such unlikely cases of which this information bulletin is a part.

Our in-house organisation allows us to ensure a high standard of safety. The areas of plant safety, workplace safety and fire protection are assigned to corresponding specialist personnel at WESER-PETROL. Intensive, regular continuing education and training of all employees and the operation of plant equipment is carried out by our own trained employees who have corresponding experience working at the company.

Giving notification of hazardous incidents has been clarified with the authority and is ensured by appropriate messaging/notification channels. In case of an emergency, the authorities will implement all required aid in order to securely contain the effects.

Giving a warning to the neighbourhood is ensured in all cases. Such a warning would generally be given through

**Individual notifications**  
**Sirens in the city of Nordenham**  
**Over loudspeakers**  
**On radio and television**

For more information, please see the overview "**What to do in a hazardous incident**"