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## Offshore Helidecks / Landing Communications

### Background

To enhance safety, and provide appropriate time to prepare for helicopter operations, the following is recommended when anticipating a landing on an offshore helideck.

### Recommended Practices

1. Before landing on an offshore helideck, pilots are encouraged to establish communications with the company owning or operating the helideck if frequencies exist for that purpose.
2. When impracticable, or if frequencies do not exist, pilots or operations personnel should attempt to contact the company owning or operating the helideck by telephone. Contact should be made before the pilot departs home base/point of departure to advise of intentions and obtain landing permission if necessary.  
**\*\*recommend a minimum of 20 minutes for planned arrival notice. This practice is a requirement of some offshore owner/operators.**

Note 1: See **HSAC RP 90-1** for Tanker Operations

Note 2: Private use Heliport. Offshore heliports are privately owned / operated facilities and their use is limited to persons having prior authorization to utilize the facility.

Note 3: **Some platform/vessel operators require specific notification procedures which must be adhered to for pre-landing and pre-takeoff. Aircrews are requested to familiarize themselves with these destination requirements.**

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