INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS

INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANISATION (IMO)

GOVERNMENT OF THE FAROE ISLANDS



Shipping

Prime Minister Office

Parliament

Department for Environment

Delivers policy and legislation on nature, environment, and land.

The Environment Agency

Protects the environment and

supports sustainable development. Responsibilities include Protection, Land (Faroese Cadastre), Maps and Geodata, Research, Recreational Areas, the Land Registration Act, and the National Register. Support sustainable development by ensuring cheap, safe, and sustainable energy, reducing fuel consumption, and utilizing natural energy resources; monitoring and inspecting of electrical work; monitoring municipalities water management plans; RAMSAR areas

The Board for Nature Conservation

Process cases on authorizations for building projects, roadwork, and other related work.

Ministerial Departments

Executive Agencies

'Other' Public Bodies

Public corporations

Independent Commercial Business

Committees or joint committees of local government

Department for Fisheries

Fisheries Management, Fisheries Research, Whaling, National Emergency Preparedness, Search and Rescue, and Meteorological Services.

Faroe Marine Research Institute

Studies the Faroese marine environment and its living resources and inform and advise the Faroese authorities and public about these conditions. Responsibilities include inform on fish stocks; provide scientific advice and assessments according to the law on commercial fishing; Conduct annual surveys and analyses of catches.

The Faroe Islands Fisheries Inspection

Ensuring that fishing vessels in Faroese seas. Faroese vessels in foreign seas, and NAFO- and NEAFC areas, operate following the law and regulations, and cooperate with other authorities on monitoring e.g. waste from vessels; observe and analyze vessels, logbook data, gear and more.

MRCC

Search and Rescue: receive notice of oil spills and reports.

Meteorological Office

Provide weather conditions services; impart and participate in research on weather, climate change, etc.

Fisheries Board

Advice on fisheries matters

Department for Foreign Affairs, Industry, and

Responsible for foreign affairs, industry, and trade, including participation in international cooperation concerning Oceans, oceanic resources, and membership in IMO, FAO, SPRMO, etc.

Faroese Food and **Veterinary Authority**

Inspection and knowledge authority on food matters and animal health and provide an internationally approved examination of such. Responsibilities include enforcing the Food Act, animal health, veterinary control ensuring international standards for trade. import and exports, and licensing and inspection of aquaculture sites.

Faroese Maritime Authority

Improve safety at sea, protect the marine environment, and safeguard customer rights. Responsibilities include registration of fishing vessels, and ensuring vessels follow legislative requirements. Incl. MARPOL, pollution from ships, and ballast water responsibilities.

Faroese Geological Survey

Administer, research, consult, and educate about oil, energy, and geological natural values. Responsible for all administrative tasks related to hydrocarbon exploration and production activities.

Firum

Responsibilities include researching, developing, and advice within the farming of water-based animals and plants; conduct commercial activities, and ensure knowledge for sustainable aquaculture.

Department of Finance

Financial and economic matters, legislative work underpinning taxation-, fees and tariffs, advice on matters concerning bank regulation.

TAKS

Enforce tax and customs laws and regulations; registration of businesses; responsible for taxation revenue relating to hydrocarbon activities, and assess, collect, and audit this income taxation.

Faroe Islands **Governmental Bank**

Financial institutions; manage the country's liquidity and loan facilities; research to ensure financial stability; monitor financial risks.

Land sverk

Oversee technical building projects, roads, harbour and entrepreneurial tasks; consults, plans, carries out and maintains roads, harbours, etc; emergency clean-up work of oil spills; weather measurements; supervise and maintain lighthouses; create maps, inspect, and consult on fish farming areas;

Systematic Risk Advisory Council

Identify and oversee systemic financial risks; advise relevant authority in managing financial

Department of Justice

Responsible for a variety of areas, including legislation procedures, national register, Nordic, preparedness, and municipals.

Faroese Safety Authority

Prevention and preparedness matters, including transportation matters, resilience, and contingency planning.

Local Authorities

Mapping and planning water systems, waste management, etc.

SEV

An inter-municipal community; responsible for power quality and the power supply system

Nordic Council Nordic cooperation

authorities and organizations; maintain and conserve cultural heritage, oceans, sustainable futures.

Department of Culture

Responsible for cultural policy and legislation.

National Museum

Collect, register, maintain, and research environmental and cultural values. including ecosystems, biodiversity, climate change, and use of nature: inform and educate: administrate the department of marine archaeology.

UNESCO Board

Tie together UNESCO and Faroese