

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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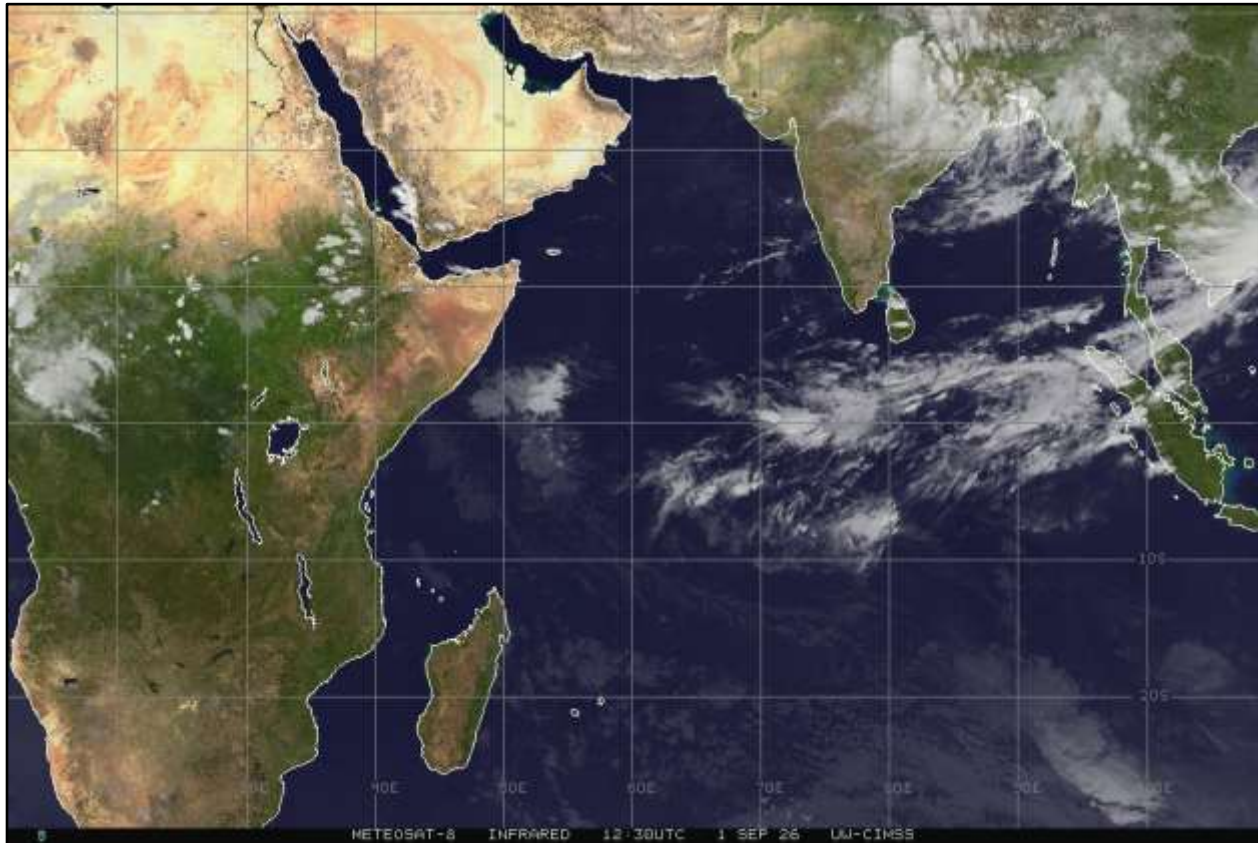
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Date 2026.09.01

WEATHER FORECAST



Weather Forecast for Next 24 hrs



FLEET FORECAST

Fleet Forecast for Area - E

Issued by the National Meteorological Center, Department of Meteorology Sri Lanka.

Valid period: 2026.09.01/1400UTC to 2026.09.02/0600UTC

Issued at 1200UTC on 2026.09.01

To: CBO Radio/Fisheries/SL Navy/CBO Port/Coast Guard

Shear line is approximately along: 04N 60E, 01N 70E, EQ 80E, 02N 90E, 04N 100E.

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections: 15, 30, 35, 60, 65.

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 10, 25, 40, 45, 50, 55, 70.

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line:

West of 70E : SW'ly to W'ly/ (10-15) kts.

From 70E to 77E : W'ly to NW'ly/ (10-20) kts.

East of 77E : W'ly to SW'ly / (10-20) kts; gusting up to (25-30) kts in sections 05, 10.

South of Shear line:

SE'ly / (15-20) kts; gusting up to (25-30) kts in sections 60, 65, 70, 80, 85.

Seas:

Fairly rough, rough at times in sections : 05, 10, 60, 65, 80.

Moderate, Fairly rough at times in sections : 70, 85.

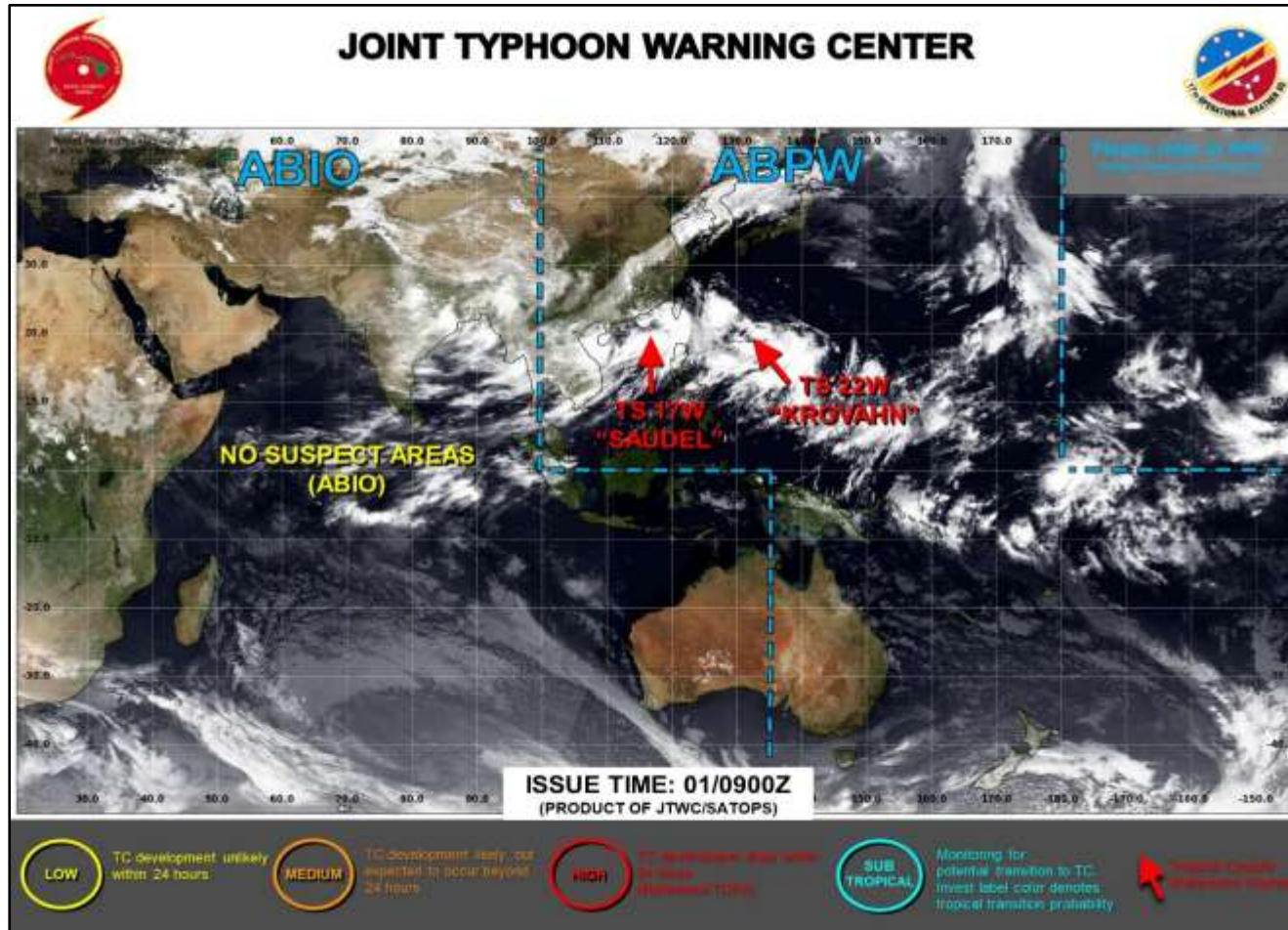
Moderate in sections : 00, 15, 30, 40, 45, 50, 55, 75.

Slight to moderate elsewhere.

NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers.

• Source: 1. <https://meteo.gov.lk> 2. <https://www.srilankaview.com/weather.htm>

CYCLONE



• Source: <https://www.metoc.dcn.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html>



TROPICAL CYCLONE "SAUDEL"





TROPICAL CYCLONE "KROVANH"



SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
 Maritime Incidents	04
 Piracy & Armed Robbery	01
 Smuggling	NIL
 IUU Fishing	NIL
 Narcotic	NIL
 Irregular Human Migration	NIL
 Marine Environment Pollution	02
 Other	02
Total Incidents	09

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21 Aug/Racing Yacht Fined After Hitting Great Barrier Reef/Australia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.08.21	Australia	Mumbai	Capsizing/Sinking	Name – Viva La Vida yacht	All 10 individuals aboard the yacht were safely rescued during an incident at the Hamilton Island race week on August 21. There were no reports of diesel leaks, and the upturned wreck is currently anchored to minimize grounding risks while recovery operations continue.

The 82.5-foot Viva La Vida yacht, part of the 2026-27 Oyster World Rally flotilla, sank in the Whitsunday Islands, a delicate coral ecosystem within the Great Barrier Reef. According to the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority, the yacht collided with a rocky reef while sailing at high speed, damaging its keel. This led to the vessel capsizing and drifting in the notoriously challenging navigation area.



Source -: <https://maritime-executive.com/article/australia-likely-to-fine-racing-yacht-after-hitting-great-barrier-reef>

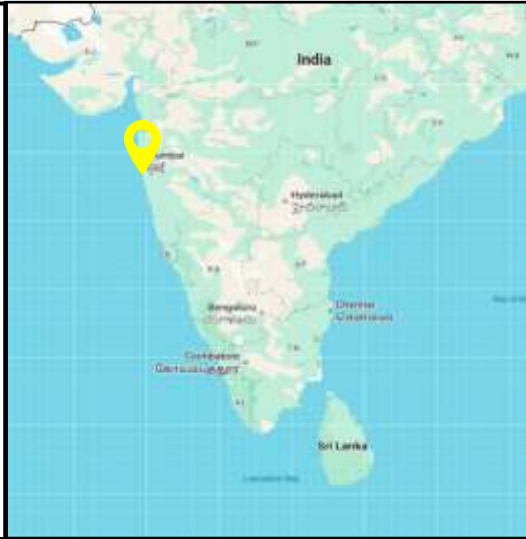
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30 Aug/Two Injured in Cargo Crane Collapse/Mumbai

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.08.30	India	Mumbai	Damage/Lost cargo	Name – Vienna Flag – Barbados IMO - 9222625	A crane accident occurred on 30 August at Mumbai Port, involving the Barbados-flagged bulk carrier Vienna during a heavy lift cargo operation, resulting in injuries to two crane operators.

The incident at BPS Berth, Indira Dock involved lifting 140 tones of cargo using two mobile cranes when a sling became unbalanced and loosened. This caused the load to shift, lifting the second crane off the ground, which struck the vessel and triggered a fire. The fire was contained by the Mumbai Port Authority Fire Brigade.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/13210/two-injured-as-crane-overtums-during-cargo-operation-at-mum>

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31 Aug/Bulk Carrier Allision Causes Sinking/Romania

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.08.31	Romania	Danube Rive	Capsizing/Sinking	Name – S Line Flag – Panama IMO - 1080978	The Panama-flagged bulk carrier S Line allided with a port structure and sank nearby boats on the Danube River in Tulcea, Romania, on 31 August. There were no reported injuries among the crew or those on the affected boats.

The incident occurred at 1710hrs local time when the S Line vessel, measuring 146.8 meters long and 25 meters wide, experienced steering failure and struck the port structure. As a result, two small boats sank, and five others sustained significant damage. Romanian authorities have initiated an investigation to ascertain the incident's cause.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/13207/bulk-carrier-allision-sinks-two-boats-on-danube-in-romania>

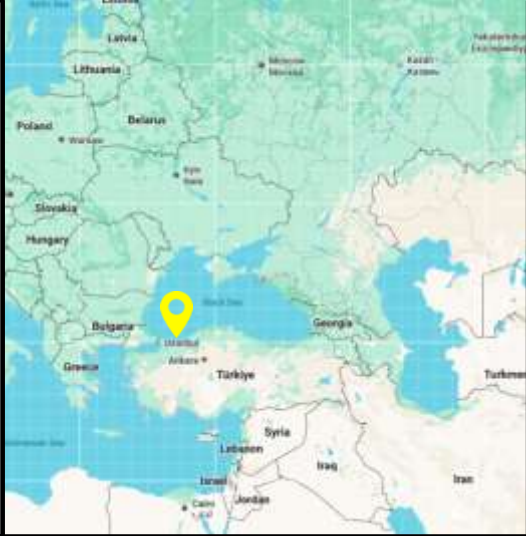
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01 Sep/Russian Cargo Vessel Runs Aground/Turkey

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.01	Turkey	Off Alaçalı Beach, Istanbul	Grounding/Stranding	Name: Omskiy 107 Flag: Russia IMO: 8866759	The Russian-flagged cargo vessel Omskiy-107, which was damaged in the Black Sea, drifted towards Turkey's coast and ran aground near Alaçalı Beach, Istanbul.

According to Turkish news media, a vessel off the coast of Novorossiysk Port in Russia was attacked, resulting in a fire and severe damage to the wheelhouse. The crew abandoned the ship, which subsequently drifted and ran aground near Alaçalı Beach in Şile, Istanbul, prompting Turkish Coast Guard intervention. An investigation is underway, but the attack date and crew's condition remain unclear. The Omskiy-107, a 1981-built cargo vessel, is 108 meters long, 15 meters wide, and has a deadweight tonnage of 3248 metric tonnes.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/15/maritime-security/2026/13209/russian-cargo-vessel-agrounds-off-turkey-after-attack>

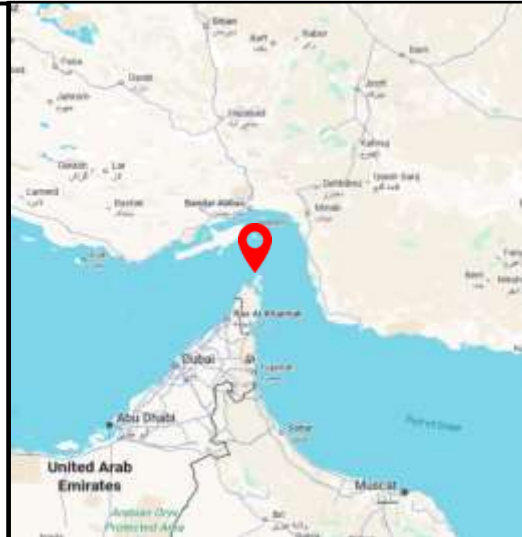
PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY



01 Sep/Two Tankers Carrying Saudi Oil Attacked in Strait of Hormuz/Turkiye

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS		ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.01	Oman	Khasab	Assault violations	Name: Sidr Flag: Saudi Arabia IMO: 9854715	Name: Senega prosperity Flag: Liberia IMO: 9532757	Two supertankers transporting Saudi oil were hit by unidentified projectiles shortly after each other while passing through the Strait of Hormuz on Monday night, as reported by shipping intelligence and tracking companies Marisks and Kpler.

The Juaymah terminal saw tankers loading 2 million barrels of Saudi crude last week, as Saudi Aramco resumed operations in August. Iranian and U.S. blockades in the Strait of Hormuz have significantly reduced energy exports, amidst ongoing mediation efforts by Qatar and Oman to reopen the strait, which previously handled a significant portion of global oil supplies. Oil prices rose following U.S. President Trump's threats of further strikes against Iran after a recent escalation in hostilities.



Source -: <https://gcaptain.com/two-tankers-carrying-saudi-oil-attacked-in-strait-of-hormuz/>



01 Sep/Iran Seizes Bulk Carrier Over Alleged Oil Discharge/Iran

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.01	Iran	Strait of Hormuz	Illegal sewage discharge	Cargo Ship	Iranian authorities seized a bulk carrier transporting sugar, accusing it of discharging oil, bilge water, and industrial sludge into the Strait of Hormuz, according to state media reports on Monday.

The vessel was seized after images of oil being discharged into the sea were published. Esmail Makizadeh, deputy head of the Ports and Maritime Department in Iran's Hormozgan province, stated that expert and clean-up teams were dispatched to the site following the incident.



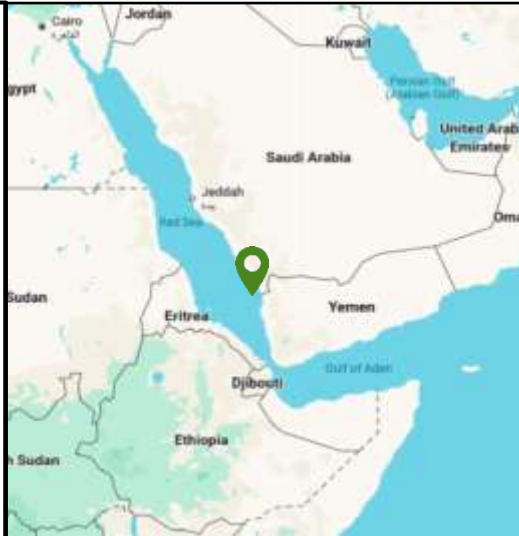
Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/iran-seizes-bulk-carrier-after-alleged-oil-and-sludge-discharge-in-strait-of-hormuz/>



01 Sep/Oil Slick Detected Off Yemen Coast Linked To Ship-to-Ship Transfers/Yemen

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.01	Yemen	Hodeida coast	Oil Spill	-	A large oil slick has been observed off Yemen's Hodeidah coast, near areas where oil is transferred between ships before reaching Houthi-controlled ports of Ras Isa and Saleef.

Satellite images reveal oil patches near Uqban and Al-Badi'ah islands, with a significant slick observed north of Al-Badi'ah on August 19. Expert Farouq Al-Kamali indicated that the region is utilized for ship-to-ship oil transfers off Yemen's western coast.



Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/oil-slick-detected-off-yemen-coast-linked-to-ship-to-ship-transfers/>



30 Aug/European Naval Forces Board Suspected Russian Shadow Fleet Vessel/European Union

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.08.30	European Union	-	Naval Activities	Name – Sun Flag – Cameroon IMO - 9293117	European naval forces under Operation EUNAVFOR MED IRINI boarded the tanker Sun for flag verification, but the vessel has not been reported as detained or seized.

The incident on 30 August involved naval personnel from Operation EUNAVFOR MED IRINI boarding the vessel Sun, which was flying a Cameroonian flag and had previously been sanctioned by the EU and the UK. This marked the sixth boarding of a suspected shadow fleet vessel. On 2 August, the Italian Navy frigate ITS Thaon di Revel also boarded another vessel, Toa Payoh, for flag verification in international waters. The boarding of the Sun was conducted under Article 110 of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), which permits warships to board vessels suspected of lacking nationality or flying a false flag.



Source - : <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/15/maritime-security/2026/13208/european-naval-forces-board-suspected-russian-shadow-fleet-v>



31 Aug/Israel Locates Wreck Of Arms-Smuggling Ship Sunk/Israel

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.08.31	Israel	Mediterranean Coast	Other Military /Coastguard activities	-	Israel has discovered the wreck of the Altalena, an arms ship that was sunk in 1948 following a violent conflict between the newly established Israeli military and the right-wing Irgun militia.

The wreck of the Altalena was found 78 years later at a depth of 503 metres off Israel's Mediterranean coast, just before the Oct. 27 legislative elections. Heritage Minister Amichai Eliyahu and National Security Minister Itamar Ben-Gvir announced the discovery, which has reignited political discussions about the ship. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu endorsed the finding, highlighting the historical connection to his Likud party, founded by Irgun leader Menachem Begin, related to the Altalena affair.



Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/israel-locates-wreck-of-arms-smuggling-ship-sunk-off-mediterranean-coast-after-deadly-1948-clash/>



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