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#### Sample analysis procedures or techniques used to test for compliance with D-1

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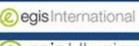
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#### **Outline**

- Sampling purpose
- D-1 standard
- Possible methods for compliance checks

# Sampling Purpose

- Compliance with D-1 (Ballast Water Exchange (BWE))
  - 200 m depth, 200 nm from nearest land
  - 200 m depth, 50 nm from nearest land
  - Designated areas

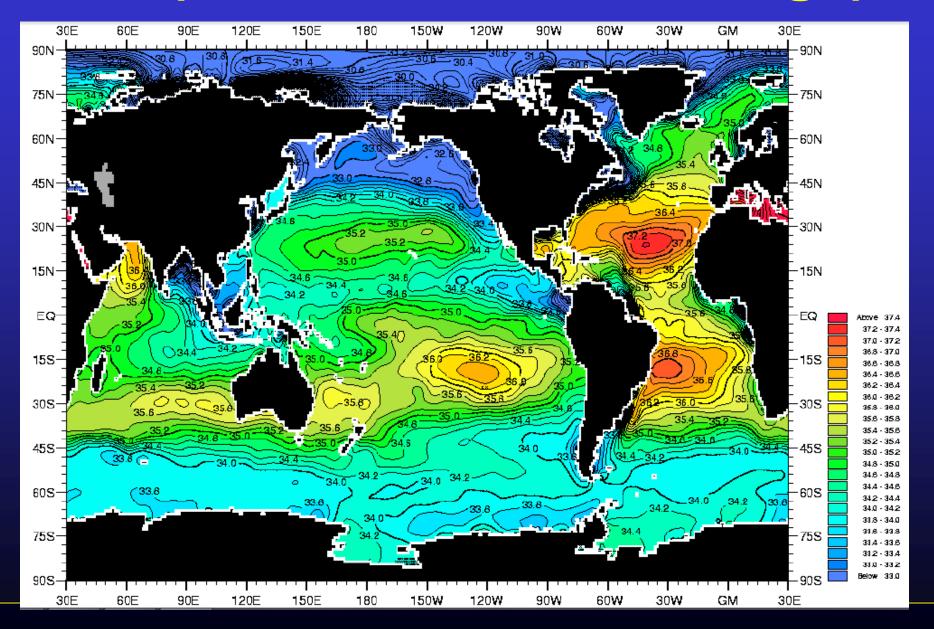




# D-1 (Ballast Water Exchange)

- Tracers of human activity
  - Presence of e.g. Nitrogen or Phosphorous may indicate nearshore BWE (river run-off in urban areas), colored dissolved organic matter (CDOM)
- Coastal species
  - Harpacticoid copepods, barnacles
- Sediment
- High sediment load may indicate near-shore BWE, but re-suspension from tank bottom occurs
- Salinity
  - If salinity is below 30 psu it is unlikely that it was exchanged at sea

## D-1 (Ballast Water Exchange)



### **Tools for D-1 Compliance Checks**

- Conductivity sensor
  - easy to calibrate (with freshwater)
  - portable
  - dip-stick method

- Refractometer
  - easy to calibrate (with freshwater)
  - portable (pocket-size)
  - a few drops of water are sufficient







### Conclusions

- Methods exist to proof D-1compliance
- We recommend to measure water salinity, but
  - BWE in coastal/port areas in high-salinity environments (above 30 psu) will results in compliance but water does not originate from midocean (non-compliance with D-1); or
  - BWE in designated ballast water exchange areas (within 50 nm from nearest land) may result of less salinity than the mid-ocean water. Here the BWE would be compliant, but salinity measurements alone would show non-compliance
- Origin of BWE must be known

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