

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE
GULF OF MEXICO OCS REGION**

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**NOTICE TO LESSEES AND OPERATORS OF FEDERAL OIL AND GAS LEASES
IN THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF GULF OF MEXICO REGION**

**Outer Continental Shelf
Functional Responsibility of New Regulations**

Concerning current regulations, 30 CFR 250, "Oil, Gas, and Sulphur Operations"; 30 CFR 251, "Geological and Geophysical (G&G) Exploration of the Outer Continental Shelf"; 30 CFR 256, "OCS Minerals and Right-of-Way Management"; and 30 CFR 260, "OCS Oil and Gas Leasing," this notice is provided to delineate the appropriate portion of the Gulf of Mexico OCS Region organization that is responsible for the various functions and requirements contained therein.

**30 CFR
PART 250**

SUBPART A

**ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT
WITH PRIMARY
RESPONSIBILITY**

Section

General

250.6	Oral approvals	Appropriate Regional Supervisor
250.7	Right of use and easement	Field Operations
250.8	Designation of operator	Leasing & Environment
& 250.9	Local Agent	
250.10	Suspension of production or operations	Production & Development
250.11	Determination of well producibility	Field Operations
250.12	Cancellation of leases	Leasing & Environment
250.13	Reinjection and subsurface storage of gas	Production & Development
& 250.14		
250.15	Identification	Field Operations
250.16	Reimbursement	Resource Evaluation
250.17	Information and forms	Appropriate Regional Supervisor
250.18	Public Information	Regional Director
250.19	Accident reports	Field Operations
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250.23	Report of cessation of production	
250.24	Appeals	Appropriate Regional Supervisor

30 CFR PART 250

Subpart B	Exploration and Development and Production Plans	Field Operations
Except Sect. 250.32(c)	Requiring an offset well or allowing compensatory royalty	Production & Development
Subpart C	Pollution Prevention and Control	Field Operations
Subpart D	Oil and Gas Drilling Operations	Field Operations
Subpart E	Oil and Gas Well-Completion Operations	Field Operations
Subpart F	Oil and Gas Well-Workover Operations	Field Operations
Subpart G	Abandonment of Wells	Field Operations
Subpart H	Oil and Gas Production Safety System	Field Operations
Subpart I	Platforms and Structures	Field Operations
Subpart J	Pipelines and Pipeline Rights-of-Way	Field Operations
Except Sects. 250.163 & 250.164	Assignment of a right-of-way grant Relinquishment of a right-of-way grant	Leasing & Environment Leasing & Environment
Subpart K	Oil and Gas Production Rates	Production & Development
Subpart L	Oil and Gas Production Measurement, Surface Commingling, & Security	Production & Development

Subpart M	Unitization	Production & Development
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Subpart N	Remedies and Penalties	Field Operations
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Subpart O	Training	Inspection, Compliance & Training Division, Operations and Safety Management, MMS, Herndon, Va.
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Subpart P	Sulphur Operations	Field Operations
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30 CFR PART 251

30 CFR 251	Geological & Geophysical Exploration of the Outer Continental Shelf	Resource Evaluation
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Except Sects.

251.3-3	Geological & geophysical activities under a lease	Field Operations
251.6	Test drilling activities	Field Operations
251.9	Penalties	Field Operations
251.13	Reimbursement to permittees	Southern Administrative Service Center

30 CFR PART 256

30 CFR 256	Outer Continental Shelf Minerals and Rights-of-Way Management, General	Leasing & Environment
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30 CFR PART 260

30 CFR 260	Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing	Leasing & Environment
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Some of the Field Operations functions are performed in the district offices, and they are responsible for the following:

- Receive first notice from operations of oil spill or accident
- Applications for Permit to Drill (APD's)
- Sundry Notices (Well Completions, Workovers, Abandonment and Site

Clearance)
Surface Safety System Design
The Investigation of Minor Accidents
Welding and Burning Plans
Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S) Contingency Plans
Determination of Well Producibility, If By Test

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