

PROBLEM

Chemical vapor and leaks from **munitions** dumped off the coast of NJ can cause **potentially severe injury**.

WHAT TO NOTICE

-  Sweet or garlic smell
-  Stinging or burning eyes
-  Metal cylinders, shells or clay-like objects

POSSIBLE SYMPTOMS

Up to 48hrs after exposure

-  Red, itchy, or blistering skin
-  Irritated, swelling, tearing
-  Shortness of breath and coughing
-  Runny nose, sneezing, sinus pain
-  Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea



Scan QR code for full details of signs and symptoms

WHO CAN HELP?

- NJ DEP 1-877-927-6337
- US FDA 1-888-463-6332
- US COAST GUARD 



Protect yourself from munitions brought onboard.

WHAT TO DO IF MUNITIONS ARE BROUGHT ON BOARD?

ISOLATE

Keep unneeded crew members upwind and far away as possible.

DECIDE ACTION

Quickly decide if you need to handle the munition or need help from the U.S. Coast Guard.

PROTECT CREW HANDLING MUNITION

Crew members should be properly trained and provided the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE): inner pair of nitrile gloves, face shield and chemical resistant suit, apron, outer pair of gloves.

TAKE ACTION

Trained crew members should jettison or secure the munitions as necessary minimizing contact.

DECONTAMINATE

Using soap and water, decontaminate equipment and individuals that potentially came into contact with liquid leaking from the munitions. Wash solution and rinse water should be handled as hazardous waste and appropriately disposed of. Contaminated clothing should be removed and placed in sealed plastic bag.

REMOVE PPE

After handling munitions and decontaminating surfaces, remove PPE and place in sealed plastic bag. Outer surface of PPE should be treated as contaminated. Dispose according to applicable standards.

NOTIFY U.S. COAST GUARD

Channel 16 (156.800 MHz) or by calling: 800-424-8802 or 215-271-4960.

SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION

Get medical help if exposed. Symptoms can happen right away or take up to 48 hours after exposure.