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Background

According to the decision by MORS-PRO 12/2007 the Guidelines for Monitoring of Radioactive Substances (related to HELCOM Recommendation 26/3) should be reviewed at all meetings of MORS-PRO (cf. Paragraph 4.13 of the Minutes).

MORS EG 8-2018 reviewed the latest version of the Guidelines for Monitoring of Radioactive Substances, and agreed on following corrections/clarification tasks required:

1. National data providers were requested to check the stations and coordinates
2. Maps should be harmonised: All maps should include subbasin borders
3. Clarification of File name / Sheet used in the reporting format is needed. For the last years one file has been used.
4. For seawater, TDEPTH and SDEPTH parameters should be obligatory or seawater, SALIN parameter units should be PSU
5. DEVICE list in the MORS database should be verified by national data providers, but is not required to be listed in the Guideline
6. ANALYSIS_METHOD list in the MORS database should be verified by national data providers, but is not required to be listed in the Guideline
7. Section on Discharge data format should be updated according to the used reporting sheet by Data Consultant STUK.

Changes requested by the MORS EG 8-2018 meeting, which do not require input from national data providers have been implemented (Tasks 2, 3, 4, 7). The meeting is requested to provide input for the guidelines regarding points 1, 5 and 6 (Station coordinates in the guideline, DEVICE list and ANALYSIS_METHOD list).

The updated MORS Guidelines (13 May 2019) is **Attachment 1** of this document.

DEVICE_NAME table as included in the MORS environment database is **Attachment 2** of this document

ANALYSIS_METHOD table as included in the MORS environment database is **Attachment 3** of this document.

Action

The Meeting is invited to provide following information from national data providers:

- Check that the stations and coordinates are correct
- DEVICE_NAME table (Attachment 2) should be verified
- ANALYSIS_METHOD table (Attachment 3) should be verified

The Meeting is invited to review and update the MORS Guidelines as needed.