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Hotline for boatpeople in distress. No rescue, but Alarm.

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Information for travellers (English)

(EN) Safety at sea - Big Question



RECENT POSTS

11 April 2025

Forced return to Syria: Cypriot Coast Guard pushes people back into the open sea

28 March 2025

Preventable deaths: many people lost their lives or went missing after a shipwreck off Cyprus

28 February 2025

Abandon and punish: how France treats victims and survivors of tragedies in the Channel

 **Crossing to the UK is very dangerous, this information may save your life** 



Do not try without an engine



Beware of fog and wind over 10 knots



Stay far away from ships. They make big waves and don't see you



Do not try if waves are higher than 0.5 metre



Never get out of the boat or try to swim



At sea, it is colder and there is more wind than on land

Check weather & waves with WINDY before leaving

The crossing can take 8-10 hours and weather can change very quickly.



**FOR RESCUE
CALL 112** 

- 112 should work even if your phone doesn't have signal.
- Say you are at sea and need rescue
- If you have french network, dial 196 to speak directly with french coastguard

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MORE INFO:

Safety at sea and preparing the journey

Weather in Dover Straits

Asylum in UK

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14 February 2025

Deaths and Repression but also Solidarity and Struggle in the Central Med

13 February 2025

Shipwreck tragedy continues on the route from Algeria to Spain

WATCH THE MED – REPORTS

26 April 2025

06/08: 76 travellers rescued by NGO vessel Louise Michel

14 October 2024

13/10: 12 travellers rescued by Salvamento Maritimo in the Western Med

14 October 2024

13/10: 159 travellers rescued to El Hierro

13 October 2024

12/10: 20 travellers rescued by Salvamento Maritimo in the Western Med

9 October 2024

08/10: 26 travellers rescued to Cadiz

HOW TO SEND YOUR GPS LOCATION WHEN YOU CALL FOR HELP

First, make sure your location is ON in settings

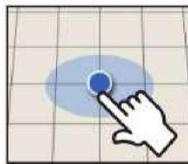


X **WITHOUT SIGNAL or data** : GPS still works and you can still call 112 !

2 Open Google Maps or similar. Press the target button. It may take a while, but your position will appear as a blue dot. Even at sea, this is your correct position



3 Press and hold this blue dot to «drop a red pin» on your current location.



4 Your GPS coordinates should appear at the top of screen. If not, scroll down to look for them.



5 Give these numbers when you call for help. Say all numbers and symbols slowly and clearly (-, ., ' °)

✓ **WITH SIGNAL AND DATA** : Use WhatsApp to send your location

2 In the chat to the person you want to send your location press the 'paper clip' symbol



3 Press location symbol



4 Send your current location, NOT live location





ALWAYS CALL 112 FIRST

If rescue does not come or if you are being pushed back, you can call
Alarm Phone 00 33 4 86 51 71 61

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18 Feb



sos ! ~67 people in distress in the Central Mediterranean!

Alarm phone alerted authorities about a group who left #Libya. The boat is adrift, leaking and the engine stopped. The people fear for their lives. Immediate rescue is needed! 📷



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17 Feb



Publication! This analysis provides a chronology of the 2nd half of 2024, an account of the 482 boats we assisted in the central Med over this period & other relevant



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developments. In the whole of 2024, we assisted 803 distress cases in this region. <https://alarmphone.org/en-and-repression-b...>



SOS ~40 people in distress on their way to #Crete, #Greece!

We cannot reach the group & don't have a GPS-position of their boat. Their relatives told us that the condition on the boat is very bad. We informed @HCoastGuard & urge them to launch a search & rescue mission now!



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