



THE IADC LEXICON

Defining the drilling space!

IADC Lexicon puts critical definitions at your fingertips.

Imagine thousands of the most pertinent definitions and terms relevant to drilling, all in a single convenient repository – the IADC Lexicon. The IADC Lexicon draws from the most critical legislation, regulations, standards and guidelines worldwide.

The European Union requested that IADC, as the authority in the drilling space, create the Lexicon to aid in regulation and understanding our industry. Use the IADC Lexicon as a dictionary or to quickly and easily identify a relevant standard, guideline or regulation. Or, use it as a template to develop instructions for your own company.



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FAQ on the IADC Lexicon

1. What is the IADC Lexicon?

The IADC Lexicon is a presentation of terms that have been defined in legislation, regulations, standards, guidelines that are applicable to the drilling industry.

2. Why is there more than one definition for a term?

The definitions were developed by different authors, at different times and often for different purposes. It is important to consider any definition within its original context.

3. How can I use the IADC Lexicon?

- Just like a dictionary, you can find information regarding the meaning of a term.
- You can quickly identify a relevant standard, guideline or regulation associated with the use of the term by referring to the source information provided with the definition.
- If you are attempting to develop standards or instructions, you can see how the defined terms have been used by others.

4. Can I rely on the definitions provided?

IADC strongly encourages users to consult the source documents for a variety of reasons, including:

- The context of the source document is important;
- The definition within the source document may have been changed;
- A contributor to the Lexicon project may have made an error in entering the definition in the Lexicon.

5. Why isn't the term I'm looking for in the IADC Lexicon? I know it is defined in a standard.

IADC considers the IADC Lexicon project a continuing work in progress. We, or our contributors, may simply have not identified the particular source as relevant or obtained access to the source. We welcome you to register as a Contributor to the IADC Lexicon. As a Contributor, you can add and edit terms (subject to IADC review).

6. It looks like Greek, what's with that?

IADC has focused on building the Lexicon's terms in English, but it is not our intent that the Lexicon presents only English terminology. As our resources permit, or as material is provided by contributors, we will expand the Lexicon to include terms in languages other than English.

7. Why has a term been included that isn't relevant to drilling?

In building the Lexicon, IADC has not attempted to judge the relevance of the included terminology to a particular drilling-related activity. For example, many maritime terms are used in the regulations governing mobile offshore drilling units.

8. Why doesn't IADC provide links to the source material?

Many of the sources cannot be linked directly. Further, because of the number and variety of sources, IADC cannot assure that the links will be maintained.

9. Can I view the IADC Lexicon on my smartphone or pad?

Yes! The IADC Lexicon is built using cutting-edge responsive technology, which ensures the website looks and works great on any device. The IADC Lexicon will automatically reformat its layout according to screen size. There is no need to choose between mobile or desktop versions based on your device... the Lexicon knows what device you have and automatically conforms itself to your viewing size. Browse without limits! Use the IADC Lexicon on your desktop, laptop, iPad, and/or iPhone/Android/Windows/Blackberry phone.