

## 2. RESPONSE REGIONS

According to Regulation 4, Annex VII of the Helsinki Convention and HELCOM Recommendation 2/7 concerning the Delimitation of Response Regions for Combatting Marine Pollution, the Contracting Parties are obliged, *inter alia*, to agree bilaterally or multilaterally on those regions of the Baltic Sea in which they will conduct aerial surveillance activities and take action for combatting and salvage activities. As a principle the response regions should coincide with the boundaries of the Exclusive Economic Zones, where applicable.

The present situation is shown in the table below.

**Situation concerning agreements on Response Regions**

	Sea Area	Agreement	Note
1.	Sweden - Finland	yes	
2.	Finland - Russia	yes	Finland - former USSR Agreement
3.	Estonia - Russia	no	
4.	Finland - Estonia	yes	Finland - former USSR Agreement
5.	Sweden - Estonia	no	Swedish EEZ is used
6.	Estonia - Latvia	no	
7.	Sweden - Latvia	no	Swedish EEZ is used
8.	Latvia - Lithuania	no	
9.	Sweden - Lithuania	no	Swedish EEZ is used
10.	Lithuania - Russia	no	
11.	Sweden - Russia	yes	
12.	Russia - Poland	no	Boarder Treaty is used
13.	Poland - Sweden	yes	
14.	Poland - Denmark	no	
15.	Poland - Germany	no	Boarder Treaty is used
16.	Germany - Sweden	yes	
17.	Germany - Denmark	yes	
18.	Denmark - Sweden	yes	