

# UNOLS Charter

## Proposed Revisions - 2004

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**Introduction** - The UNOLS Charter is scheduled for review and re-adoption in 2004.

The current charter is posted on the UNOLS website at

<<http://archive.unols.org/info/ucharter.html>>.

**The Charter has been reviewed by the UNOLS Council and the revisions as indicated in the pdf document <[unols\\_charter\\_091004.PDF](#)> are proposed.** Many of the major changes are highlighted in the revision, but some changes, especially formatting changes are not highlighted to make it easier to read.

**A summary of the Charter revisions include the following:**

- Minor editorial corrections
- "Shall" replaced "will" throughout Charter (not highlighted).
- The Charter and Annex II were revised to indicate that vessel and facility designations will be made by the Council. An appeal process was also added to the Charter and Annex II.
- Charter sections 4c, 4d, 5d were updated so that references to the UNOLS Vice-Chair position were removed. The transition period from the Vice-Chair to the the Chair-Elect position has past.
- A common format was applied to the Annexes. Every attempt was made to avoid text changes. The format followed (as practical) was:
  - I. Introduction
  - II. Purpose
  - III. Membership / Organization
  - IV. Specific Tasks
  - V. Meetings / Reports
- The RVOC By-laws were added to Annex III. Redundancies with the by-laws were eliminated in the original Annex III.
- Annex VI was updated and revised in accordance with the AICC recommendations.
- The DESSC Terms of Reference were added as Annex VII.
- The SCOAR Terms of Reference were added as Annex VIII. The information provided in Appendix I of the SCOAR Terms of Reference were included in Annex VIII as Section 6.
- The liaison of RVTEC with other UNOLS Standing Committees was stated in Annexes.