

# Clean-up Norway Svalbard

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# Clean-up Norway

Programme for professionally clean-up of marine litter

Financed by The Norwegian Retailers' Environment Fund

Clean-up 40 % of the outer Norwegian coastline at least once during a period of three years (2021-2023), including

- Prioritised areas on Svalbard
- Prioritised rivers

➤ 23 300 kilometres coastline cleaned up

➤ 3 100 000 kilograms marine litter removed from nature





# Prioritised areas for Clean-up Norway

Remote areas not cleaned by volunteers

Demanding territories and hard to access

Areas normally never cleaned

Coastline with harsh weather conditions

Vulnerable flora and fauna

Challenges health, safety and environmental conditions



# Clean-up mission on Svalbard





# Results from Svalbard



17 500 kilograms of marine litter removed

70 kilometres coastline cleaned-up

19 days with cleaning onshore



# Lessons learned

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# Thousands of small plastic pieces





# Litter from fisheries







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# Safety first

Clean-up in the Arctic is a high risk activity

- Long distances
- Harsh weather conditions
- Polar bears

Be prepared for the unexpected and have safety margins







# Prerequisites

Knowledge about local conditions

Well planned logistic chains

Take into account harsh and changing weather conditions

Follow Svalbard-specific rules

Permissions from the Governor of Svalbard



# Spectacular nature







# Clean-up Norway continues

SALT leads the Clean-up Norway on behalf of The Norwegian Retailers' Environment Fund

Phase 2 - 2024-2028

Svalbard included in the programme



# Gathered useful experience for planning of future clean-up on Svalbard







Faith in the future for  
the coast, the sea and  
the people

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