



Water Quality Monitoring Safety Protocol

For a successful day of water quality monitoring, make sure your team is together, accounted for, and safe.

Team Member Protocol:

1. Convene at designated meeting place and time
2. Sign-in to the **Field Volunteer Log**
3. Communicate with Dana to confirm everyone is assembled, departing, and ETA
4. Depart for sampling
5. Return from sampling at designated meeting place
6. Communicate with Dana to confirm everyone returned/who will come to the lab
7. 60 minutes after established return time – Dana call all those monitoring
8. 120 minutes after established return time – Dana call local police/fire
9. Sign-out on the **Field Volunteer Log** if not going to the lab
10. Depart for lab
11. When leaving lab, confirm your departure with Dana
12. Sign-out of the **Field Volunteer Log**
13. When only participating in lab work, sign-in/sign-out of the **Lab Volunteer Log**

Phone Numbers:

Volunteer Coordinator: Dana Reed (720) 272-8661

TNC Project Manager: Emily Fielding (808) 284-3961

Local Police Department: 911 or (808) 661-4441

Local Fire Department: (808) 661-4065

Lifeguard Towers: 911

Hawai'i Poison Control: (800) 222-1222

Coast Guard Emergency: (808) 842-2600 or (800) 552-6458

National Weather Service – Maui: (808) 877-5111 www.prh.noaa.gov/hnl/

Maui County Civil Defense: (808) 270-7285 <http://www.co.maui.hi.us/index.aspx?nid=70>

Prevention:

- Every volunteer **sign a waiver** good for one year.
- **Be aware of temperature.** Be prepared for variable conditions on any given day.
- If you are the designated in-water sampler, **wear water shoes/tabis** while in the water. Let your coordinator know if you don't have water shoes/tabis.
- Preferably, one person in your group is currently **CPR/First Aid certified**. Ideally, all volunteers would receive CPR/First Aid certification training every two years to stay on top of safety awareness/response.
- Please share any **medical information** your team should know about before monitoring.
- If you require an **EpiPen** for allergic reactions, please have it with you at all times during monitoring and let your team know where to find it and how to use it.
- **Familiarize yourself** with the Accident Management Plan, contents of the first aid kit, and useful contact numbers in case of an accident.
- Sign-up for Civil Defense Alerts. In case of a **natural disaster**, get to safety and contact the Volunteer Coordinator or TNC Project Manager.
- Always have a functioning **cell phone** within your team.