



## Water Quality Monitoring Safety Protocol

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

In case of an **emergency** please refer to the **Accident Management Plan** in the **First Aid Kit Backpack**

### Team Member Protocol:

1. Confirm with the team lead the point of contact for handing off equipment prior to sampling
2. Convene at designated meeting place and time, wearing face masks (if needed)
3. If any Team Members have a temperature above 99.6°F or feel unwell, they should not be sampling
4. Sign-in to the **Field Volunteer Log**
5. Conduct sampling
6. Sign-out on the **Field Volunteer Log** if not going to the lab
7. Confirm with the team lead the point of contact for handing off equipment and samples
  - If no contact within 60 minutes after established return time – Team lead, call those monitoring
  - If no contact within 120 minutes after established return time – Team lead, call local police/fire
8. If going to the lab to drop samples off and/or assist with post-sampling duties, depart for lab and communicate your arrival time with the team lead
9. When leaving lab, confirm your departure with the team lead
10. Sign-out of the **Field Volunteer Log**
11. When only participating in lab work, sign-in/sign-out of the **Lab Volunteer Log**

### Phone Numbers:

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Program Coordinator: Christiane Keyhani

West Maui Team Leads: Emily Johnson

West Maui Team Lead: Jess Erwin

South Maui Team Lead: Ylenia St-Louis

Police/Fire/Lifeguards: 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/](http://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 weather conditions.** Be prepared for variable conditions on any given day.
- If you are the designated in-water sampler for the current sampling session, **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 Program Manager or Program Coordinator.
- Always have a functioning **cell phone** within your team.