

Sea Turtle Field Forensics Workshop Schedule



This workshop is geared primarily for marine natural resource managers, enforcement officers and NGOs that have authority and background in management of sea turtles and investigation of take of sea turtles and their products. It is a 6 -7 day field training that combines daily lectures with field practice, in-water sessions, and in-water and coastal crime scenes; on the final day participants will undergo a mock court to test their capabilities based on what they learned during the week. Participants need to be able to snorkel or SCUBA dive, and be comfortable working outdoors and on the water. The intense schedule involves lectures and field activities held during some evenings. For most workshops, we hold the training at a coastal hotel where participants are housed and fed, and where coastal habitats and hotel facilities can be used for

WORKSHOP DAY	ACTIVITY	TYPE
Day 1	Arrive Hotel. Assign Gear, Over view of Toolkit	INTRO
	Mock Court Video	INTRO
	Introduction, Make Gear, Intro to Coral Reef CSI	INTRO
	Lunch	MEAL
	Introduction to the Illegal Trade and Impacts to Sea Turtles, CITES	LECTURE
	Marine Injury Investigations	LECTURE
	Regional Issues, Biosafety & Zoonoses	LECTURE
	Dinner	MEAL
	Crime Scene & UW Photography	LECTURE
Day 2	Breakfast	MEAL
	Sea Turtle Pathology 101	LECTURE
	Range of Sea Turtle Trauma I	LECTURE
	Evidence 101	LECTURE
	Lunch	MEAL
	Range of Sea Turtle Trauma II	LECTURE
	Fingerprinting Marine & Sea Turtle Objects	LECTURE
	Dinner	MEAL
	GPS	LECTURE

WORKSHOP DAY	ACTIVITY	TYPE
	GPS Exercise	DRY RUN
<p>Day 3</p> <p>Teams Rotate</p> <p>Teams Rotate</p> <p>Teams Rotate</p> <p>Beach</p>	Breakfast	MEAL
	U/W Search and Recovery/Tethered Search	LECTURE
	Tethered Search	ACTIVITY
	Fingerprinting Marine & Sea Turtle Objects	ACTIVITY
	U/W Recovery	SNORKEL 1
	Late Lunch	MEAL
	Post-Mortem Changes	LECTURE
	Beach Foot/ Tire Prints Demo	ACTIVITY
	Dinner	MEAL
	Risk Assessment / Risk Management	LECTURE
Lab Sampling, Evidence Issues, SCAT	LECTURE	
<p>Day 4</p> <p>Teams Rotate</p> <p>Teams Rotate</p> <p>Teams Rotate</p>	Breakfast	MEAL
	Pre-Assessment	LECTURE
	Pre-Assessment	DRY RUN
	Disturbed ST Nest I (Pre-Assessment)	ACTIVITY
	Inspection for Illegal Sea Turtle Product Trade	ACTIVITY
	Searching a Small Vessel	ACTIVITY
	Late Lunch	MEAL

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Teams Rotate	Coastal Activity: SCAT	ACTIVITY
Teams Rotate	Coastal Activity: Disturbed Turtle Nest 1	ACTIVITY
Teams Rotate	Coastal Activity: Disturbed Turtle Nest 2	ACTIVITY
	Dinner	MEAL
	Pathology Quiz	ACTIVITY
Day 5	Breakfast	MEAL
	Impact Assessment	LECTURE
	Impact Assessment	DRY RUN
	Lunch	MEAL
Teams Rotate	Sea Turtle Field Necropsy Demo	ACTIVITY
Teams Rotate	Data Analysis	SNORKEL 2
Teams Rotate	Impact Assessment - Shore	ACTIVITY
	Dinner	MEAL
	Internal Sea Turtle Field Necropsy	LECTURE
	Dealing with the Media	LECTURE
Day 6	Breakfast	MEAL
	Team Mock Media Press Release	ACTIVITY
	Post-Field Investigation	LECTURE
	Evidence Processing, Court Prep	LECTURE

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	Lunch	MEAL
	Coastal Impact Assessment II	ACTIVITY
	Sea Turtle Field Necropsy II	ACTIVITY
	Dinner	MEAL
	Mock Court	MOCK COURT
	Evaluations, Certificate Ceremony	WRAP-UP