

UNIVERSITY UNDERWATER CLUB

DIVER BRIEFING

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PRE-TRIP:

Once gear is stowed and divers are seated, begin boat safety briefing.

1. Location and operation of:
 - 1.1 Flares
 - 1.2 Lifejackets
 - 1.3 EPIRB
 - 1.4 Radios
 - 1.5 Boat water
2. Prevention of dehydration and sunburn
3. Expected conditions and time of voyage
4. Plan for the day
5. Introduce all divers

DIVE SITE:

Ensure boat is secure and all divers are present and attentive before starting briefing:

1. Site details
 - 1.1. Name of site
 - 1.2. Min and max depths
 - 1.3. Conditions
 - 1.4. Terrain
 - 1.5. Depth of anchor

2. Safe diving procedure
 - 2.1. Current/tides
 - 2.2. Time for dive
 - 2.3. Dive to personal limits
 - 2.4. Air on return (min 50 bar)
 - 2.5. Log in and out
 - 2.6. Buddy check
 - 2.7. Emergency call back (bang weight against boat 3 times)
 - 2.8. OK signal (one or two hands on head)
 - 2.9. Distress signal (wave one hand above head)
 - 2.10. Reminder of general look but don't touch eco friendly policy – in particular be careful of coneshells, blue ringed octopus etc.
 - 2.11. Bag limit reminder for crays etc – ensure that measuring devices are aboard.
 - 2.12. Remind all to help the buddy pair currently getting in or out of the water by either helping with gear as requested or staying well out of the way
 - 2.13. Remind all to keep the deck clear at all times. Beer or chocolate fines are effective here.
 - 2.14. First divers to check anchor, last divers to check and move (if required).