



Scientific Diving Information

The Bermuda Institute of Ocean Sciences is an Organizational Member of the **American Academy of Underwater Sciences** (AAUS) and adheres to AAUS standards for the conduct of scientific diving operations and diver training. Divers already accredited and in current status through another AAUS institution may be eligible for reciprocity.

All proposed diving activities under the auspices of BIOS require prior approval from the BIOS Diving Safety Officer.

Visiting scientific divers need to submit:

- AAUS letter of reciprocity or all of the following:
 - Medical form – 6 pages (full approval, completed and signed)
 - Photocopy of certification card – front and back
 - Photocopies of logged dives – need to have done 12 dives in the last 12 months (if not will have to make own arrangements to do some additional diving before being cleared for science diving)
 - Verification that SCUBA gear has been serviced in the last 12 months
 - Photocopy of current CPR/First Aid training
 - Photocopy of current O₂ Provider training
- Diver Registration form
- Release and Assumption of Risk Form
- SCUBA Waiver
- Boat and SCUBA Regulations Form

Please submit all paperwork prior to your arrival at BIOS. There will be a check-out dive for all divers before field trips commence. Dive lockers are available to store your equipment.

For further information please contact:

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