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OSU SCIENTIFIC DIVING CHECKLIST

Below is a checklist designed to help OSU researchers using diving in the field. It is not intended to be a comprehensive list of responsibilities, and should be supplemented with additional items appropriate for the project and location:

Scientific Diving:

- All divers current OSU AAUS Scientific Divers or have current reciprocity with OSU
- Dive and Emergency Plans approved by OSU Diving Control Board and on file with DSO
- OSU approved Lead Diver onsite and in charge of diving operations
- Appropriate waivers and releases completed
- OSU dive log submitted annually
- Boat dives: both Operator and Vessel must have OSU Small Boat Program approval
- Incidents/close calls reported to DBSO

OSU AAUS Divers must maintain an up to date diver file with the OSU Diving Safety Program in order to be considered "Active Status". It is up to each individual diver to ensure their file is up to date and to maintain their fitness and proficiency as a diver.

The diver file elements include:

1. Current Medical Evaluation and Medical History forms with no contraindications for diving
2. Current certifications in First Aid, CPR and Oxygen Provider.
3. Annual proof of equipment service and maintain
4. Meet the 12 dives per year minimum standard as mentioned in the AAUS Standards for Scientific Diving (Nov 2018) with at least one dive to their depth limit certification within the last 6 mo.
5. Proof of current Dive Accident Insurance (most commonly through DAN)