



Gulf World Marine Institute

Sea Turtle & Dolphin Rescue Volunteer Application Form

Contact Information

Date: _____
Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Address: _____

E-mail: _____
Cell Phone: (____) _____ Home Phone: (____) _____

Schedule

Current Employer: _____ Current Occupation: _____

Availability during the week: Su M Tu W Th F Sa (circle all that apply)

Best time to reach you? _____

Questionnaire (answers can be added on extra pages if need be)

Have you volunteered with GWMI before? Yes No (When? _____)

Do you volunteer with any other organizations? Yes No

If Yes, please list: _____

How did you hear about the volunteer program with GWMI? _____

Why do you want to volunteer with GWMI/ what skills do you hope to gain? _____

Do you have any career goals that might be influenced by volunteering with GWMI?

What are your most valuable skills/what experience can you bring to the GWMI program?

What are your areas of interest (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Database management | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational/classroom outreach | <input type="checkbox"/> Marine mammal necropsy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marine mammal rehab*** | <input type="checkbox"/> Office/organization work | <input type="checkbox"/> Public speaking/presentation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sea turtle husbandry | <input type="checkbox"/> Stranding response – deceased | <input type="checkbox"/> Stranding response – live*** |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tank maintenance | ***Participation only after staff approval and proven dedication | |

Please read the following information, as it is pertinent for anyone wishing to volunteer with this program.

While volunteering with GWMI, some tasks may include lifting, bending, or carrying heavy supplies or large animals that weigh more than 25 lbs. Volunteers must be able to communicate their capabilities for their own safety, as well as the safety of the other volunteers, staff, and the animals involved. GWMI works in a variety of weather conditions, but most frequently we find ourselves out in hot, humid weather. If you have any health or physical conditions that might impact your ability to work in these conditions, please list them here:

Volunteers sometimes interact with other members of the general public during activities. If this is something you are willing to do, especially during any public stranding or education events GWMI might be participating in, please let us know here. Yes No

If yes, what previous education/public outreach experience do you have?

While responding to stranded animals, unfortunately humane euthanization is sometimes the only course of action (chosen after careful consideration of the veterinary staff and government representatives). While you would never be forced to witness, assist with, observe, etc. an event such as this, please briefly describe how you feel about it.

GWMI conducts many necropsies on deceased marine mammals. These events are critical in learning about the possible cause of death, but more importantly about the general health of the species, populations, and environment they live in. Would you be comfortable assisting with a necropsy? Yes No

Please return this completed application to the GWMI Stranding Coordinator:

E-mail: info@gulfworldmarineinstitute.org

Mail: Gulf World Marine Institute, Inc.

ATTN: Stranding Coordinator

15412 Front Beach Road

Panama City Beach, FL 32413

Hand-delivery: Gift shop at Gulf World Marine Park

ATTN: Gulf World Marine Institute, Inc.

Stranding Coordinator

We will contact you soon to discuss your volunteer opportunities. Thank you for your interest in our program!