

DIVING SAFETY PLAN

Introduction

A Diving Safety Plan (DSP) documents the planning and hazard analysis for a specific type of diving operation (i.e., suction dredging, transect survey, rebreathers, etc.). Prior to engaging in each new diving procedure or when utilizing a new type of equipment for which a DSP does not currently exist, the dive team conducting the dive operation must complete a DSP and the Regional Diving Officer must approve the plan. Once approved, future dives of a similar nature may reference the existing DSP. The DSP is not intended to supplant the Daily Dive Plan ([FWS Form 3-2222](#)). At a minimum, include the following information in the DSP:

I. Objective

- Describe objective(s) of using the particular equipment or procedure.

II. Description of Equipment and Techniques

- Provide references for equipment and techniques if available.
- Describe the equipment to be used and the proposed sequence of operations including required tasks and communications in detail.
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- Describe the support vessel, if applicable.

III. Diving Plan Hazard Analysis

- Describe hazards associated with the proposed operation and equipment that the diver may experience, and what preventative actions will be employed to alleviate the hazard. The following table format is suggested:

Hazard	Preventative Action
1.	
2.	