
New UH Diving Safety Program Proposal Application and Report Forms and Process

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Aloha UH Divers and Principal Investigators:

The UH Diving Safety Manual requires approval of research, academic courses and student projects and theses which require compressed gas diving at the proposal stage. Additionally, any incident, accident or "near miss" during UH diving operations must be reported to the DSO by the Lead Diver in a timely fashion. For the last decade or more this submission, review and approval process has been accomplished by generation of a word document by the proposer, which was then reviewed and approved by email exchange. When formulated, this was an advance over the original processing of hard copies; however, delays occur due to routing, review and document formatting.

To remedy some of these deficiencies, UHDSO has now developed a process within Google Forms by which, after submission, applications and documents arrive automatically in the proper "To Be Reviewed" directory, with proper formatting and pagination. At this time, conversion to the Google Forms platform and process been accomplished for the following UHDSO applications and reports:

- **Scientific Diving Research Proposal Approval Application;**
- **Student Thesis, Dissertation or Project Proposal Approval Application;**
- **Diving Incident, Accident, or "Near-Miss" Report;**
- **COVID19 Essential Diving Activity Log.**

This is primarily a process change. Little has changed regarding the information required for submission. We hope that this new process will increase the efficiency of review and approval services for our diving community, allowing us all to spend less time on documents and more time in the field. Conversion of other UHDSO documents such as the Application for UH Scientific Diver Authorization and the UH Dive Plan Application to this Google Forms is underway as staff time permits.

All UHDSO forms remain available on our website:

<http://www.hawaii.edu/ehso/diving-safety-forms/>

Should you have questions or comments about the forms or process, Please don't hesitate to contact me.

Aloha, Dave

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