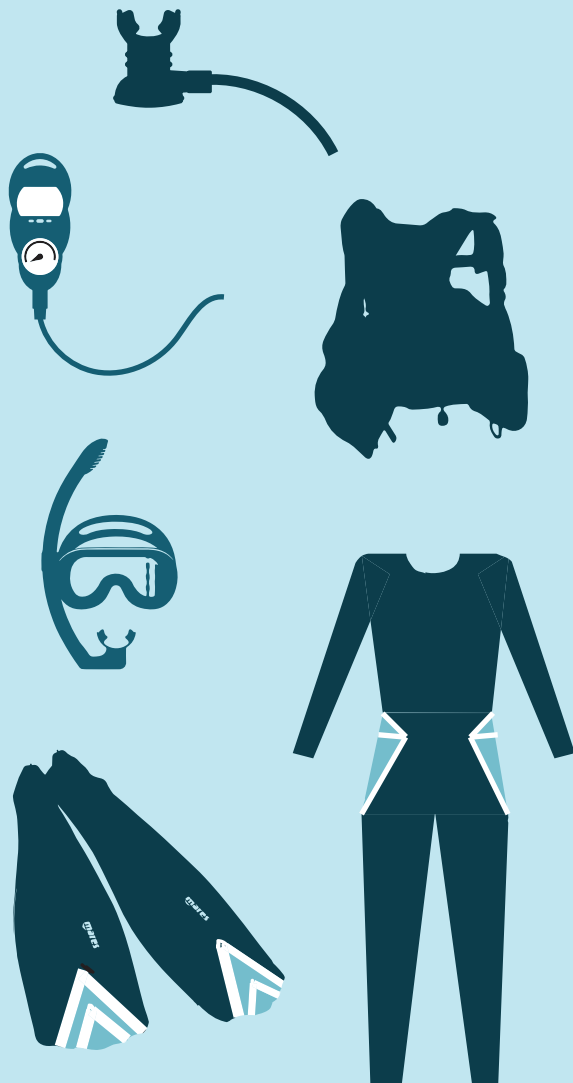




Guidelines for Disinfection of Dive Gear



Keep Our Islands Clean!

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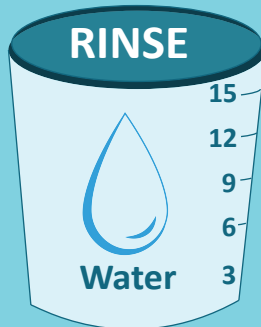
Soak all of your gear for 10 min in a 1% household bleach solution

USE IMMEDIATELY AFTER MIXING

BLEACH (cups)	WATER (gallons)
~1.0	5
~1.5	10
~2.5	15

Don't forget your BC internal bladders!

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Rinse all of your gear in fresh water

(e.g., in a 5 gallon bucket)

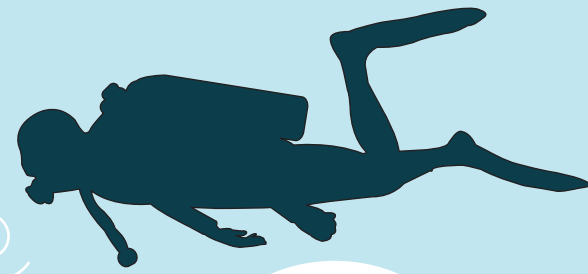
Properly dispose of disinfectant solutions by rinsing waste into sink or shower. Remember, chlorine will break down in the sun!

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Allow gear to air dry thoroughly

General Guidelines for Disinfection



DO

- ✓ Inspect dive gear and equipment and remove debris
- ✓ Move from “cleanest” site first to “dirtiest” last
- ✓ Decontaminate dive gear at end of day
- ✓ Decontaminate dive gear between sites, sensitive areas, & islands
- ✓ Properly dispose of disinfectant by rinsing waste into sink or shower. Remember, chlorine will break down if left in the sun!

- ✗ Don't leave debris on dive gear
- ✗ Don't move from a diseased to a healthy site
- ✗ Don't forget to disinfect gear between sites, islands, sensitive areas, & end of day
- ✗ Don't use concentrations higher than 1%
More chlorine is wasteful and can be dangerous.

DON'T