

SHARK BITE - PRELIMINARY INFORMATION FORM

INFORMANT IDENTITY

Surname:
 Name:
 E-mail:
 Tel.:

VICTIM ID

Surname:
 Name:
 E-mail:
 Tel.:

Sex: M ☐ W ☐
 Age:
 Size: cm
 Birth place:

BITE Date: Hour: Place (island):
☐ Outer slope ☐ Reef passage ☐ Inside lagoon ☐ Surface ☐ Depth: m

Location of bite(s):



Species ID of shark:

- ☐ **Raira - Gray reef shark**
Carcharhinus amblyrhynchos
☐ **Mauri/Vaki - Blacktip reef shark**
C. melanopterus
☐ **Arava - Lemon shark**
Negaprion acutidens
☐ **Tapete - Silvertip shark** - *C. albimarginatus*
☐ **Parata - Oceanic whitetip** - *Carcharhinus longimanus*
☐ **Tore Tore/ Tangutukao - tiger sharks** - *Galeocerdo cuvier*
☐ **Kokihe/O'Hi'e/Tautu'o- Blacktip shark** - *C. limbatus*
☐ **Aahi/Gagahi - Mako shark**
Isurus spp.
☐ **Rehirehi - Silky shark**
Carcharhinus falciformis
☐ **Othe species:**

Reliability of assessment:

☐ 100% ☐ 70-99% ☐ < 70%

Duration of main bite :

☐ < 2 s ☐ 2 à 4 s ☐ 5 à 8 s ☐ > 8 s

Did the shark shake its head ?

☐ no ☐ yes How many times?

Was human flesh removed?

☐ no ☐ yes ☐ + ☐ ++ ☐ ++++

Victim's activity

- ☐ Spearfishing (pupuhi)
☐ Free diving (without fishing)
☐ Snorkelling (surface)
☐ Whale-watching (surface)
☐ Scuba -diving ☐ open ☐ closed
☐ Surf or paddle board ☐ Kite surf
☐ Stand (in the water) fishing
☐ Observation (standing in water)
☐ other:

SHARK BEHAVIOUR

-How many shark (same species) did bite ?

-If other species: which, and how many ?

-Were the shark(s) nervous? ☐ no ☐ yes ☐ all ☐ only some ☐ the one which bit

-if yes which agonistic displays (cross several if necessary)?
☐ Lowering pectoral fins ☐ Ascending trajectory (with acceleration)
☐ Gaping ☐ Hunching swimming
☐ Gill flapping ☐ Closing nictitating membrane

BASIC BITE CONTEXT

-Did victim see the shark before the bite ?

☐ yes ☐ no

-Was victim alone ? ☐ yes ☐ no, at least another person at a distance of m

-Was the shark already on the spot ? ☐ yes ☐ no, the shark followed the victim or came after

-Was there some *feeding* activity wether voluntary (artificial provisioning) or involuntary (cleaning fish) ? ☐ no ☐ yes -Was there? ☐ feeding frenzy ☐ no feeding frenzy

-Was the victim holding fish ? ☐ no ☐ Yes, closed by ☐ in hands just before the bite

-Was the fish alive? ☐ no ☐ yes, but inert ☐ yes with agony signs (sounds and vibrations)

-Was the bitten victim's body part covered ? with suit ? gloves ? ☐ yes ☐ no

-Was there any stimulating sounds ? ☐ no ☐ yes, splashing ☐ yes, fish sounds ☐ yes, other

-Was the victim holding: ☐ UW camera ☐ large dome with UW camera ☐ with strobe

-did the victim have any physical contact with the shark prior to the bite? ☐ no

☐ yes, he/she: ☐ touched (or try to) the shark ☐ hit the shark with a spear ☐ shot the shark

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