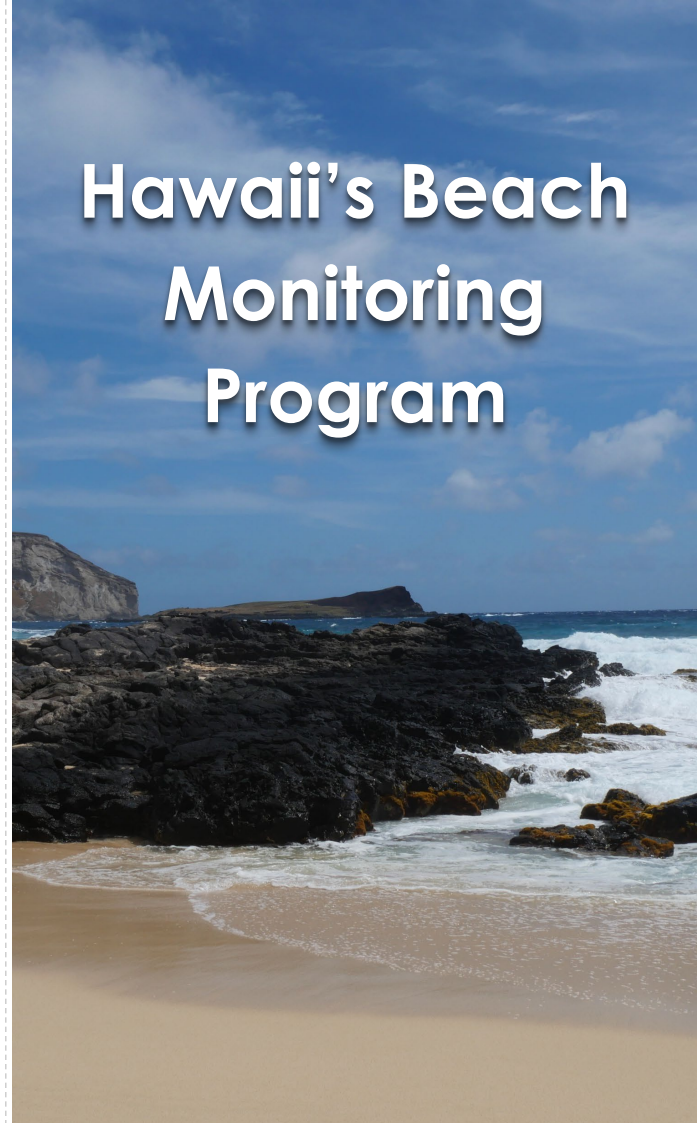


Hawaii's Beach Monitoring Program



Learn How to Reduce Health Risks When Recreating in Hawaii's Waters



Hawaii Department of Health
Clean Water Branch

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Stay Informed!

- Stay out of waters that appear brown, murky, or turbid.
- Stay out of the water if you have any open wounds or are part of a high-risk group.
- People with a higher risk of illness include:
 - Infants;
 - Elderly;
 - Pregnant Women; and
 - People with compromised immune systems or chronic illnesses.
- Subscribe for water quality notifications and advisories through email at:

<https://eha-cloud.doh.hawaii.gov/cwb/#!/viewer>

For more information, please visit the Department of Health, Clean Water Branch website at <https://health.hawaii.gov/cwb> or scan the QR code below to view the latest beach water quality warnings and advisories.

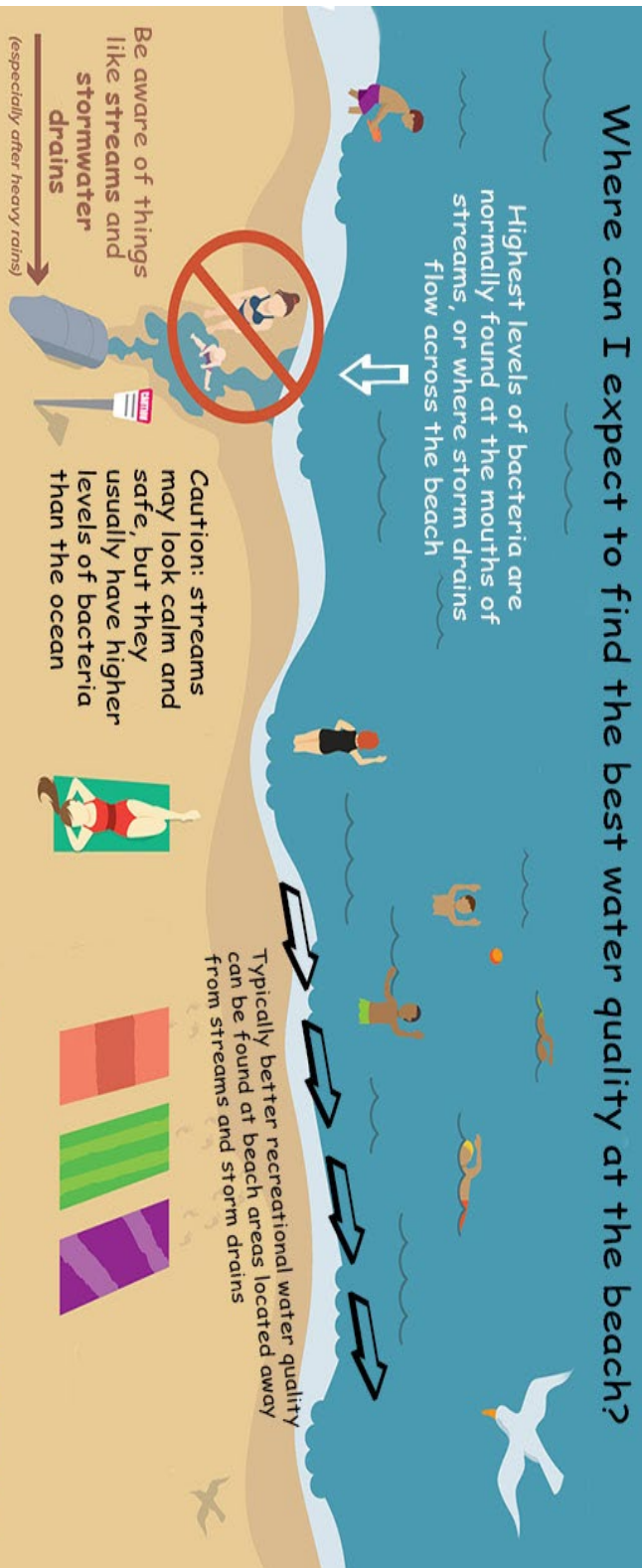


Know Before You Go



Dispose of this Brochure Responsibly!

Where can I expect to find the best water quality at the beach?



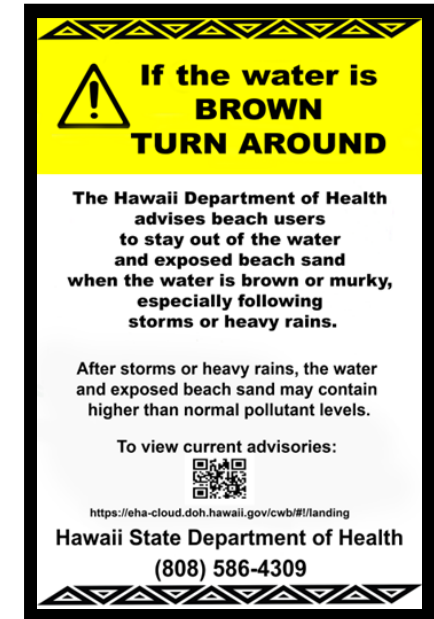
Know the Signs

Temporary Signs



- Bacteria levels exceed Beach Action Value at this location.
- Potential health risk associated with swimming or wading in these waters.
- The beach remains open, and beachgoers can decide their own comfort level of risk.
- DOH CWB does not recommend recreation in these waters while there is an ongoing exceedance.
- Signs removed when sampling results indicate compliance with state standards.

Permanent Signs



- Provides permanent general public health information.
- Always posted as general information, not in response to any known or ongoing water quality risks.
- Informs beachgoers of potential risk of swimming or wading in brown waters.
- Placed at beach parks to inform the general public.
- The beach remains open, and beachgoers can decide their own comfort level of risk based on current water conditions.



Fun in the Sun!

Hawaii's beaches are well known for their beauty and clear blue waters.

The State of Hawaii, Department of Health (DOH), Clean Water Branch (CWB) routinely checks for contamination at popular beach sites throughout the state to help protect public health.

However, especially after heavy rainfall, beaches can be affected by storm water flowing out of drainage pipes, channels, and streams.

To help reduce the risk of illness, it is best to avoid these areas where bacteria levels may exceed recreational water quality standards.