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BEACH ADVISORY

The Department of Planning and Natural Resources (DPNR) announces that the Beach Water Quality Monitoring Program, which evaluates weekly water quality at popular swimming beaches throughout the Territory by sampling for Enterococci Bacteria and Turbidity, a measure of water clarity, advises the public of the following:

DPNR performed water quality analysis at 36 designated beaches throughout the Territory during the week of September 29– October 3, 2025.

Based on the analytical results, the following beaches met water quality standards and are considered safe for swimming and fishing:

St. Croix		
Buccaneer Beach	Frederiksted Public Beach	Protestant Cay
Cane Bay	Gentle Winds	Rainbow Beach
Chenay Bay	Ha’Penny Beach	Shoys Beach
Columbus Landing	New Fort Louisa Augusta	Sprat Hall
Cramers Park	Pelican Cove (Comorant)	Stony Ground
Dorsch Beach	Princess Condo Row	

St. Thomas		
Bluebeard's Beach	Hull Bay	Magens Bay
Bolongo Bay	Limetree Beach	Sapphire Beach
Coki Point	Lindbergh Bay	Secret Harbor
Frenchman's Bay	Lindqvist Beach	Vessup Bay

St. John
Cruz Bay
Frank Bay
Great Cruz Bay
Johnson Bay
Oppenheimer Beach

Water Island
Honeymoon Beach (Druif)

The following beach does not meet water quality standards because it exceeds the established Enterococci bacteria threshold and is therefore unsafe for swimming or fishing:

- *Brewers Bay on St. Thomas.*

Please note: Samples were not collected at the following beaches.

- *Grapetree Bay Beach on St. Croix*
- *Water Bay on St. Thomas.*

Therefore, the water quality at these beaches is unknown.

Please be advised that anyone swimming in waters contaminated with sewage, stormwater, or with large amounts of sargassum may be at an elevated health risk due to elevated concentrations of bacteria or other contaminants. Waters impacted by sewage, stormwater runoff (i.e., guts, puddles, and drainage basins), large amounts of sargassum, or any area that appears discolored or has foul odors should be avoided.

For additional information regarding water quality, call the Division of Environmental Protection at 773-1082 in St. Croix or 774-3320 in St. Thomas.