



Winter Weather is Here

Winter weather has arrived! Winter weather conditions typically bring an increase in slips/trips/falls. Here are some tips to help avoid slips/trips/falls when the weather is snowy, icy or wet:

- Wear shoes or boots with slip-resistant soles.
- Survey the area around your vehicle for icy patches prior to exiting.
- Walk around, not through, icy or snowy patches, if possible.
- Watch where you are walking; do not use crosswalks or walkways that have not been cleared.
- Remove as much snow as possible from your shoes before entering buildings.
- Pay extra attention when walking from surface to surface.
- Watch for wet floors. If you encounter a wet surface, shorten your stride, point your feet out, and make wide turns.
- Use handrails on stairs.

If you encounter icy areas, the buckets at major entrances to on-site buildings contain sand that can be spread on icy spots. These buckets are not for discarding cigarette butts.

If the center is closed or a delayed opening is announced due to weather conditions, we would like to remind you that non-essential employees will be denied access to the center until the announced opening time so the crew can complete snow and ice removal.

To report an icy sidewalk, slippery floor or other potential fall hazard, call the HELP DESK at x4357. Remember, all mishaps and close calls should be reported using the NASA Incident Reporting Information System (IRIS) at: <https://nasa.ex3host.com/Iris/newmenu/login.asp>. If you fall, please notify your supervisor and go to the Health Unit to report it.



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Virginia's Sea Turtles Need Your Help!

Endangered sea turtles have been stranding at an alarming rate with a condition known as cold stunning. Cold stunning occurs when sea turtles are suddenly exposed to very cold water (<50 degrees F). They become lethargic and begin to float on the surface of the water. In this state, they are susceptible to predators, accidental boat strikes, and even death if water temperatures continue to drop. (www.seaturtle.org)

If you see a stranded sea turtle at WFF, please call
Shane Whealton at extension 1090.

When off-site, please contact the Virginia Aquarium
Stranding Response Team Immediately!



This Loggerhead Sea Turtle is alive!

757-385-7575



What Would You Do If You Saw This Puddle of Oil?

A puddle of oil or a sheen on a roadway or parking lot could be a result of a leaking piece of equipment or vehicle. However, even a small oil puddle has the potential to impact local waters if washed into a storm drain during a rain event.



If you see a puddle of oil or sheen, here's some things you can do:

1. First, call the Wallops Fire Department at 911 or 757-824-1333.
2. Then, if you have spill materials in your work area and it is safe to do so, place sorbent booms around any nearby storm drains.

