

MiscDescriptor Code	Description
Accelerated	Refers to turtles that are being grown faster than the general turtles for a specific research purpose requiring a larger turtle
Bloated	Designation for a turtle that is experiencing unusually high bouyancy
Cage	Refers to a type of rearing container used for rearing sea turtles from year one through year 2
Cc	Abbreviation for Caretta caretta the scientific name for loggerhead sea turtle
Cc2005-68	This is form of identification of the 68th turtle from the 2005 yearclass loggerheads to have experienced some form of health problem requiring individual treatment
Crate	Refers to a type of rearing container used for rearing sea turtles from hatchlings to year one
Dummy Satellite Tag	Tag attachment study where satellite tags without any electronics were used to simulate a real satellite tag
FCA	First Care Area. This is a semi-quarantine area within the Turtle Barn where turtles receive treatment for various ailments
Feeder	Is a calibrated measuring device that is used to distribute pellet food to sea turtles.
g	Abbreviation for grams, a metric unit of measurement
Lk	Abbreviation for the scientific name of the Kemp's ridley sea turtle, Lepidochelys kempii
N/A	Not applicable
Open house	One day per year the Galveston Laboratory is open to the public
Pellet	A pellet is one type of turtle food, normally referring to a 3/16" diameter floating extruded diet manufactured by Purina
pos	Abbreviation for position. The turtles are arranged in containers within tanks and raceways and each container represents a position which allows us to identify individual turtles
RW	Abbreviation for Raceway. A raceway is a rectangular holding tank 20' long by 6' wide by 2' or 3' deep
Sh	Abbreviation for Show Tank. This is a 6 foot diameter, 3' deep fiberglass holding tank
"short" tank	Refers to one of the 4 old, 8,000 gallon, outside seawater storage tanks with flat bottoms. Tanks are periodically cleaned out to remove sediment buildup
Show	Abbreviation for Show Tank. This is a 6 foot diameter, 3' deep fiberglass holding tank
Showtank	Abbreviation for Show Tank. This is a 6 foot diameter, 3' deep fiberglass holding tank
Shw	Abbreviation for Show Tank. This is a 6 foot diameter, 3' deep fiberglass holding tank
Sickbay	Quarantine building for sick sea turtles, also known as the sea turtle hospital
Sock	This is a felt filter sock used for filtering incoming seawater and/or used in a cannister type filter to filter materials in a recirculating seawater system
T17	The T is an abbreviation for tank in the Wetlab Building recirculating seawater system. The number refers to the individual tank in the system from 1 to 19
TEXASAM	Texas A&M University at Galveston
TTN065	TTN is a series of metal flipper tag codes. The numerical portion of the code is the individual turtles' identification number within the TTN series
VIP	Refers to a person or persons who came through on a sea turtle tour that were part of a special group designated by the laboratory director, visiting researchers, officials, and dignataries
W&M	Abbreviation for weigh and measure which refers to the process of weighing and measuring the turtles
WL	Abbreviation for Wetlab building