

MiscDescriptor Code	Description
Bloated	Designation for a turtle that is experiencing unusually high bouyancy
Boca Dry	Abbreviation for turtles that came from Boca Raton, Florida and which were excavated from sand as hatchlings
Boca Wet	Abbreviation for turtles that came from Boca Raton, Florida and which were collected from the Gumbo Limbo Laboratory and were already swimming in seawater
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
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
Juno	Abbreviation for turtles that were collected as hatchlings at Juno Beach, Florida
N/A	Not applicable
PeeWee	Nickname given to an undersized turtle
Pellet	A pellet is one type of turtle food, normally referring to a 3/16" diameter floating extruded diet manufactured by Purina
pH	Is a measurement of the power of the hydrogen ion and refers to the level of acidity or alkalinity of seawater
Pompano Dry	Abbreviation for turtles that came from Pompano Beach, Florida and which were excavated from sand as hatchlings
Pompano Wet	Abbreviation for turtles that came from Pompano Beach, Florida and which were collected and allowed to swim in seawater before NOAA took possession
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
Redwood	Refers to the main seawater storage tanks from which other seawater storage tanks are filled by gravity
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
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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
SSS836	SSS is a series of metal flipper tag codes. The numerical portion of the code is the individual turtles' identification number within the SSS series
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
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