

The Virgin Islands Consortium

31 of 32 Beaches Tested Territory-Wide Safe for Swimming and Fishing

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Thirty-one of 32 beaches the Dept. of Planning and Natural Resources tested for swimming and fishing proved to be safe this weekend.

D.P.N.R. said the waters were sampled for Enterococci Bacteria and Turbidity, which is a measure of water clarity.

Below, the safe beaches:

St. Croix

- Stony Ground
- Pelican Cove (Cormorant)
- Chenay Bay
- Dorsch Beach
- Sprat Hall
- Columbus Landing
- Frederiksted Public Beach
- Rainbow Beach
- Halfpenny Beach
- New Fort (Ft. Louise Augusta)
- Buccaneer
- Princess (Condo Row)
- Cane Bay
- Shoy's
- Cramer's Park

St. Thomas

- Lindbergh Bay
- Sapphire Beach
- Frenchman's Bay
- Brewer's Bay
- Vessup Bay
- Water Bay
- Hull Bay
- Bluebeard's Beach
- Lindquist Beach
- Magen's Bay
- Secret Harbor
- Coki Point
- Bolongo Bay

St. John

- Cruz Bay
- Oppenheimer
- Great Cruz Bay
- Frank Bay

Only Johnson Bay, located in St. John, tested unsafe.

D.P.N.R. said Grapetree Bay on St. Croix was not tested, nor was Johnson Bay on St. John, and therefore the water quality of these beaches remains unknown.

The department said all persons should also be aware that storm water runoff may also contain contaminants or pollutants harmful to human health and therefore all persons should avoid areas of storm water runoff (i.e. guts, puddles, and drainage basins) or if any area appears discolored or has foul odors. DPNR will continue to monitor the impacted areas and waters.

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

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