

**ACTIVITY:** Fell onto dead shark

**CASE:** [GSAF 2000.09.18](#)

**DATE:** September 18, 2000

**LOCATION:** The incident took place off Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia.

**NAME:** Unknown

**DESCRIPTION:** He is a 12-year-old male.

**NARRATIVE.** The boy was aboard Wollongong jeweller Colin Forrester's boat during a game-fishing competition. Mr Forrester said the boy tripped in rocky conditions and bumped against the dead shark. "It was an unlucky accident but these things happen."

**INJURY:** The boy's sustained a laceration on his foot that extended from his big to his heel.

**TREATMENT:** He was admitted to Wollongong Hospital. "He had to have a few stitches and a dose of antibiotics in case of any infection from the shark's teeth," Mr Forrester said.

**SPECIES:** A 100-kilogram dead blue shark. This is classed as a provoked incident.

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