

**ACTIVITY:** Diving

**CASE:** [GSAF 2013.10.23](#)

**DATE:** Wednesday October 23, 2013

**LOCATION:** The incident took place in the Pacific Ocean off Paukukalo Beach, Waiehu, Maui, Hawaii, USA.

**NAME:** Shane Mills

**DESCRIPTION:** He is a 45-year-old male.



Photo by Obiwan

**BACKGROUND**

**WEATHER:** At 15h54, Kahului recorded scattered clouds and 10 mile visibility. The air temperature was 84°F, dew point 66.9°F, humidity 56%, sea level pressure 29.96 inches, and wind direction was NNE at 16.1 mph.

**SEA CONDITIONS:** The water was turbid.

**MOON PHASE:** Waning Gibbous, 77% of the Moon was illuminated. Last Quarter, October 26, 2013.

**DISTANCE FROM SHORE:** 100 to 170 yards

**DEPTH OF WATER:** 10 feet, estimated

**TIME:** 15h55

**NARRATIVE:** No details

**INJURY:** The diver sustained a shallow three-inch laceration to his left lower back and upper thigh. The Department of Land and Natural Resources closed one mile of the beach in each direction from the scene.

**FIRST AID / TREATMENT:** The diver was treated at the scene by first responders, then drove himself to the hospital for further treatment.

**SPECIES:** Initial description of the shark is consistent with whitetip reef shark, estimated length at four to six feet.

**SOURCES:** Maui News, October 23, 2013; Huffington Post, October 25, 2013





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