



ACTIVITY: SUP Surfing (Stand up paddleboarding)

CASE: [GSAF 2016.04.07.a](#)

DATE: Tuesday April 7, 2016

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Atlantic Ocean off Corners Beach, Jupiter, Palm Beach County, Florida, USA

NAME: Maximo Trinidad.

DESCRIPTION: A male from Jupiter. He had a GoPro camera attached to the nose of his board.

NARRATIVE: Maximo Trinidad was surfing when his board collided with a spinner shark as it leapt from the sea. He lost his balance and fell into the water.

INJURY: No Injury

SPECIES: The Spinner shark, *Carcharhinus brevipinna*, is so-named for its leaps and spinning behaviors during feeding. The shark feeds by rapidly swimming through schools of fish, spinning and leaping while snapping its jaws to catch prey such as sardines and mullets and other small fish. Each year, the sharks head for bays and estuaries along the southeastern U.S. coast to mate and give birth. The migration of blacktip sharks and spinner sharks, the largest shark migration along the eastern coast of the USA, coincides with Florida's tourist season. Shari Tellman, a graduate student in biology at Florida Atlantic University, monitored the shark migration along the Palm Beach County coast from a small airplane. In February 2013, during the peak of the migration, she photographed as many as

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12,000 blacktip and spinner sharks during a single flight.

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