



## Short-term Participant Application

Project: Studying Maui's Humpback Whales 2008

*Welcome to The Dolphin Institute's Short-term participant field research project: Studying Maui's Humpback Whales.*

*Please fill out this application form in its entirety and sign where appropriate. If under 18, your parent or legal guardian must sign. Return this application form and payment to The Dolphin Institute, P.O. Box 700694, Kapolei, Hawaii 96709.*

### General Information:

Name: (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (M.I.) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

Country \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

If not a U.S. Citizen, Passport # and Date/Place Issued \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth ( / / ) (mo/day/yr)

Sex: M F Height Weight Smoker? Y N Good Swimmer? Y N

### Your Health:

General health: (Poor) (Average) (Good) (Excellent)

Any physical or medical limitations or needs? \_\_\_\_\_

Personal medications? \_\_\_\_\_ Allergies? \_\_\_\_\_

Strict food requirements? \_\_\_\_\_

Health Insurance (Company/Policy#) \_\_\_\_\_

If not a U.S. Citizen, does your health insurance cover you out of your country? \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency Contact Information:

Name: (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (M.I.) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ (Email) \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Team Information:**

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to sign up for a \_\_\_\_\_ (two-week team or four-week team)

Preferred Team(s) and Inclusive Dates \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Choice of Team and Inclusive Dates \_\_\_\_\_

3<sup>rd</sup> Choice of Team and Inclusive Dates \_\_\_\_\_

*Note:* Please check on website for updates on available spaces.

Team #	Start	End
1	1/7/08	1/19/08
2	1/21/08	2/2/08
3	2/4/08	2/16/08
4	2/18/08	3/1/08
5	3/3/08	3/15/08
6	3/17/08	3/29/08
7	3/31/08	4/12/08

**Costs**

No. Weeks	No. Nights	First-time participants	Returning participants
2	12	\$2195	\$2085
4	26	\$4279	\$4065

**Payment:** Payment may be made by check made out to *The Dolphin Institute* or by credit card (Mastercard or Visa). For credit card payments, please list the following information or call with this information to The Dolphin Institute at 808-679-3690 or 808-593-2211.

Credit Card Type (Visa) (Mastercard) Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Exp date (mo/yr) \_\_\_\_\_ V-Code (last 3 digits on back of card) \_\_\_\_\_

Name card registered to \_\_\_\_\_

Card billing Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Reservation Policy:** A \$200 deposit is required to reserve a single space on a two-week team. A \$400 deposit is required to reserve a space on a four-week team. The deposit is non-refundable but may be transferred to another team if space is available.

**Cancellation Policy:** Your balance is due 90 days prior to the start date of your team. Should a participant cancel prior to the first day of their program, the following amounts of balance are either transferable to another team (where space is available) or refundable (the deposit is non-refundable).

Date cancellation received	Percent transferable or refundable
90 days or more prior to team start	100%
60-89 days	75%
30-59 days	50%

*Note:* Any cancellations received less than 30 days prior to the program or during a program will result in no refund. For those participants that pay the full cost at once, \$200 of this payment will be considered a deposit per team and the above refund and cancellation policy will apply.

**What is included for each participant:** A shared room in our rented Maui home and food (all participants and staff share cooking chores) are provided in the short-term participant program. Transportation in our van is provided between the house and our boats and shore research station.

**What is not included:** Transportation to and from Maui is not provided and must be arranged by each participant on their own. Meals outside of those prepared with food from our field house are not provided. Sodas and alcoholic beverages are not provided. The final day “Aloha” celebration restaurant dinner for each team is not included. Participants and staff enjoy a dinner together on the last Friday of their team. Dinner is at a restaurant selected by the group and each person is responsible for their own dinner bill. Participants may bring a small still camera on board the research boat in full awareness that items on the boat may get wet from water splash. Participants take full responsibility for their personal equipment. Participant video cameras are not permitted.

I have read and agree with the above conditions: \_\_\_\_\_  
*signature of applicant and date*

**Insurance:** You should protect yourself and your equipment through the purchase of a short-term traveler’s insurance policy.

**Withdrawal:** The Dolphin Institute reserves the right to require any participant to withdraw from a project at any time if the Field Director deems the participant’s acts or conduct to be detrimental to or incompatible with the interest, harmony, comfort or welfare of the project, the research, or the whales and other marine mammals.

**Background Information:** We would love to learn more about you. Please take the time to answer these brief questions.

1. Educational background. School(s) and years attended, field of study, degree (if any). If you are a student, what is your current grade?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Current occupation. Any prior occupation that may be relevant to the project?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Tell us about your interest in humpback whales.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Do you have prior experiences on boats? Do you get sea sick?

5. Have you participated in any previous conservation, wilderness, or adventure projects?

6. What do you hope to gain/learn from participant in this project?

7. How would you describe yourself to other participants or to our staff?

8. How did you learn about our humpback whale project?

9. No special skills are required for the project. However, the following skills could be helpful. Please indicate any that apply to you.

*A. Word processing/data entry?*

*B. Video/photography?*

*C. Computer programming?*

*D. Electronics?*

*E. Drawing/Graphics?*

*F. Other (please describe)*

**Photo Release.** *On occasion, we take photographs of participants engaged in research activities. These photos are very instructional for lectures, publications, and media releases. May we use photos of your image in these types of educational materials?*

*I \_\_\_\_\_ give permission for The Dolphin Institute to use photos of my image in the types of educational materials noted above. I understand I will receive no compensation for publication of these images.*

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*Your signature and date*

**Personal Travel Itinerary:**

Our rendezvous time is 6 PM outside of the Aloha Airlines Baggage Claim Area at the Kahului Airport, Maui. If our rented house is in or near the Lahaina area (to be determined this fall), you may also fly into the Kapalua Airport in West Maui. On the final day of your team (Saturday), we will make a late morning drive to the airport to drop participants off for their flights. We should arrive at the Kahului Airport at approximately 12 PM so please make your flight arrangements for departure accordingly. Please note that unless you are a participant on two consecutive teams, there are no options for remaining at the house following the completion of your program.

Please fill out this form completely and return it as soon as possible to: The Dolphin Institute, P.O. Box 700694, Kapolei, HI 96709. You may also email this information to [pack@hawaii.edu](mailto:pack@hawaii.edu).

Your Arriving Flight:

Date and time of arrival: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of arrival: \_\_\_\_\_

Airline: \_\_\_\_\_ Flight #: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Departing Flight:

Date and time of departure: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of departure: \_\_\_\_\_

Airline: \_\_\_\_\_ Flight #: \_\_\_\_\_