

TURTLE FRIENDLY boating practices

Boat strikes are the main cause of death for green sea turtles on St. John. Minimize your impact by using safe-boating practices.

SLOW DOWN FOR THOSE BELOW

Reduce speed near shore, in mooring fields, and in areas turtles are frequently seen

OBEY SPEED LIMITS & REGULATIONS

Be aware of both territorial and federal speed limits and no-wake zones

WEAR POLARIZED SUNGLASSES

Reduce the glare on the surface to increase visibility

DESIGNATE A 'TURTLE SPOTTER'

Look for turtles coming to the surface to breathe and bask

CALL STAR

(340) 690-0474

Report sick, injured, or distressed sea turtles

USE PROPELLER GUARDS

While blunt-force collisions are typically severe enough to lead to death, the use of propellor guards can reduce deadly lacerations

