

SOLVE Beach Captains – Site Leaders

Beach Captains serve as the volunteer cleanup leaders for up to 50 check-in sites on the day of the event. They are the faces of SOLVE, making sure that the cleanup runs smoothly. Recruited and trained by Zone Captains, Beach Captains set up registration, hand out supplies, give a safety orientation, educate and direct volunteers, and make sure everyone has fun! Many Beach Captains also serve as Zone Captains and several sites are staffed by 2-3 captains to delegate tasks. Below is an overview of the tasks involved.

Beach Captain Responsibilities

Set Up:

- Scout the site ahead of time with the Zone Captain to decide where to set up, send volunteers, and dispose of trash.
- Print off the volunteer roster to check-in volunteers (sent to you by SOLVE or the Zone Captain).
- Pick up any food or drink donations (optional).
- Set up the registration table and signage by 9:30am on event day.
- Hang directional arrows to direct volunteers to the site.
- Be available to speak with the Zone Captain if something comes up.



During the Event:

- Welcome and thank volunteers.
- Check in volunteers and make sure they've signed a waiver.
- Post a safety information sign and give a brief safety orientation and introduction.
- Give volunteers the option to fill out marine debris data cards and describe the process.
- Hand out cleanup supplies.
- Direct volunteers where to go and where to drop off their cleanup bags.
- Gather materials as volunteers return and help compile trash for hauling or recycling.
- Report any hazardous or potential tsunami debris found to the Zone Captain.
- Remain at the site until 1pm or until all volunteers have returned.

Post-event Reporting:

- Report to the Zone Captain no later than 2pm with day of event cleanup results.
- Break down the registration site.
- Give the Zone Captain the day of event report form, all volunteer waivers, marine debris data cards, leftover supplies, etc.

