

# Best Practices for Science Party Rest at Sea

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## The Problem

- Concerns that members of the **science party are not getting sufficient rest at sea**

What guidelines/  
tools are out  
there?

- Talked to other international operators
  - Laws did not pertain to us
- Talked to others in our community
  - Reminded of our very own RVSS

## RVSS Chapter 5.4.2

### Science Party Science & Rest

Chief Scientists must ensure that they have **adequate numbers of trained personnel** to safely carry out their planned science operations. The requirements for crew rest outlined in **46 CFR 15.1111** (described in Section 5.3 above) provide a guide for marine technicians and **scientific personnel engaged in science operations**, especially those on deck or in the laboratories when the use of equipment or chemicals might present hazards to personnel. **If safety is compromised due to a lack of rest, the Master retains the authority and obligation to suspend operations.**

What next?

## Spread the word!

- Add article in UNOLS Newsletter
- Add this to Chief Sci Training curriculum
- Add to pre-cruise planning dialogue

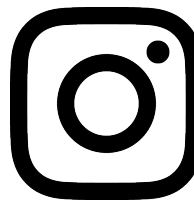
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