In the Field
Tips & Tricks from the Turks & Caicos

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MIXING

ADVICE ON PREPARING THE BASE 2B AND AMOXICILLIN TREATMENT
- Timer for mixing to ensure good consistency
- Use plastic or hard silicone spatulas
- Clean your bowl with Crisco! Amazing!
- You can use old newspaper to help with cleaning
• Cut syringe tips low to make sure mix can be pushed out easily in field.

• Use a twisting motion to fill the syringes, and plunge occasionally

• Do not overfill syringes
APPLICATION

ADVICE ON PREPPING YOUR TEAM AND APPLYING THE MIXTURE UNDERWATER

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PRE-FIELD TRAINING

1. Assess your team.
2. Do land based training sessions. ‘Dry run’ on land
3. Perhaps even a **checkout dive**?
4. SCTLD treatment and site setup days can be intense, long and exhausting. **A good and importantly, comfortable diver is a MUST.**
5. Ask for an **Advanced open water** certification or 100 dives logged.
APPLYING THE OINTMENT

GET READY

PHOTOGRAPH COLONY before and after treatment

Don’t forget to use a SCALE

SET

Make sure your SYRINGES ARE SECURE and that your gauges, camera etc. are tucked away.

GO

Apply ointment METHODICALLY & WITH INTENTION.

Once applied DON’T TOUCH
POST DIVE....

BLEACH YOUR GEAR!

Make sure your staff/volunteers are doing it too!

1% bleach solution =

½ cup bleach to 1 gallon of water

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TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER

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THANK YOU!

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