



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION IV-A CALABARZON
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF BATANGAS

3 Sept 2025

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 484, s. 2025

INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP DAY

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
Chief- Curriculum Implementation Division (CID)
OIC Chief- School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD)
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. Relative to Presidential Proclamation No. 470, s. 2003 titled "Declaring the Third Saturday of September of Each Year as the International Coastal CleanUp (ICC) Day in Observance of the Global Coastal Clean-Up Celebrations," this Office hereby enjoins all sub-offices to coordinate with their respective Local Government Units (LGUs) in the conduct of a Coastal Cleanup/Cleanup Activity simultaneously on September 20, 2025.
2. This activity aims to engage local communities through collaborative cleanup efforts, fostering a sense of ownership and shared responsibility for coastal preservation.
3. SDO personnel and concerned individuals are encouraged to join the LGU activity nearest to the location where the activity may take place.
4. All concerned are further directed to ensure the proper documentation of the activity and to submit an accomplishment report indicating, at a minimum, the total number of volunteers, the total estimated weight of debris removed, and the estimated distance covered (in kilometers).
5. Attachment are: Presidential Proclamation 470 issued on September 15, 2003, e-copies of the Ocean Trash Data Form and other materials for the cleanup.
6. For questions and clarifications, please contact ANABEL E. MAGALONA at 0917-132-6208/0968-497-7424.
7. Immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum is earnestly desired.

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Encl: As Stated

Reference: Presidential Proclamation No. 470, s. 2003

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The International Coastal Cleanup Philippines recommends the following guidelines to safely conduct your cleanup:

1. Conduct group cleanup in locations in cooperation/coordination with the local government unit (Barangay LGU) and/or the City / Municipal government. Marine debris originates from land which goes to the sewers, waterways (esteros, rivers and to the sea).
2. There is no need to go far to the shoreline or beach to clean but in your neighborhood: community, schools, homes, businesses and work surroundings. We clean up the neighborhood before the trash/debris goes into the storm drain or sewers.
3. As an alternative to trash data recording on the Volunteers / Coordinator Ocean Trash Data Form, you can download and use **Clean Swell**, a **free** mobile phone app available in Google Play or App Store to record debris items.
4. All results must be recorded using the Ocean Data Form (for volunteers) and Ocean Data Summary Form (Coordinators). Send by email at: iccphilippines@gmail.com or online at ICC Philippines, Inc. website.
5. Visit the ICC Philippines website and download all information, advisory/guidelines and materials, etc.

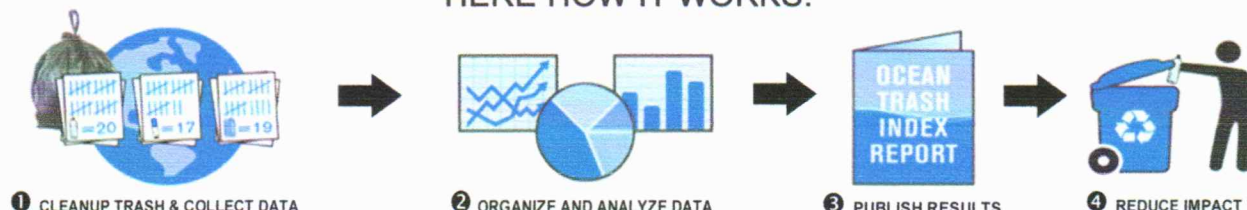
VOLUNTEER

OCEAN TRASH DATA FORM



Ocean and waterway trash ranks as one of the most serious pollution problems choking our planet. Far more than an eyesore, a rising tide of marine debris threatens human health, wildlife, communities and economies around the world. The ocean faces many challenges, but trash should not be one of them. Ocean trash is entirely preventable, and data you collect are part of the solution. The International Coastal Cleanup is the world's largest volunteer effort on behalf of ocean and waterway health

HERE HOW IT WORKS:



NAME: _____ EMAIL: _____
 ORGANIZATION/SCHOOL: _____ MOBILE NO.: _____

CLEANUP SITE DESCRIPTION

Type of Environment (choose one):

- ☐ Saltwater (Ocean/Bay/Estuary)
☐ Freshwater (River/Stream/Lake)
☐ Inland (no Water Body Present)

Mode of Data Collection (choose one):

- ☐ Land (beach, shoreline or inland)
☐ Underwater
☐ Watercraft (boat, kayak or canoe)

SITE INFORMATION

Cleanup Site Name:			Coordinates (Lat, Long)		
Province:		Zone or Country (Municipality/City):			
Country:		Nearest Crossroad or Landmark:			
MOST UNUSUAL ITEM COLLECTED:			DATE OF CLEANUP:		

GO PAPERLESS!

Collect and record your data on **Clean Swell!**
 Download the free app on your mobile device.



Please submit results by email or online at:

iccphilippines@gmail.com
<https://sites.google.com/site/iccphilippines>



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TRASH COLLECTED

Citizen scientist: Pickup all trash and record all items you find below. No matter how small the items, the data you collect are important for Trash Free Seas.[®]

EXAMPLE:

Plastic Bags:

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TOTAL #
↓
= 8

Please DO NOT use words or check marks.
Only **numbers** are useful data.

CLEANUP SUMMARY (TOTAL):

No. of Trash
Bags Filled:

Estimated
Weight:

(in
kilograms)

Estimated Distance
Cleaned:

(in kilometers)

MOST LIKELY TO FIND ITEMS

TOTAL ↓

Grocery bags (plastic):	=
Other bags (plastic):	=
	=
Beverage bottles (glass):	=
Beverage bottles (plastic):	=
Bottle cans:	=
Beverage sachets/pouches:	=
Bottle caps (metal):	=
Bottle caps (plastic):	=
	=
Cigarette butts:	=

FISHING & BOATING:

TOTAL ↓

Fishing lines, net, traps, rope, etc.:	=
Foam dock pieces (buoys, etc.):	=

PACKAGING MATERIAL:

TOTAL ↓

6 – Pack Holders:	
Foam packaging (fruit net, for appliances, etc.):	=
Other plastic bottles (oil, bleach):	=
	=
Strapping Bands:	=

PERSONAL HYGIENE:

TOTAL ↓

Condoms:	=
Cotton bud sticks (swabs):	=
Diapers:	=
Gloves & masks (PPE):	=
Syringes:	=
Tampons/Sanitary napkins:	=

OTHER ITEMS NOT LISTED:

TOTAL ↓

1.	=
2.	=
3.	=

TOTAL ↓

Cups, plates (foam):	=
Cups, plates (paper):	=
Cups, plates (plastic):	=
Food containers (foam):	=
Food containers (plastic):	=
Food wrappers (coffee, chips, etc.):	=
Lids (plastic):	=
Straws/Stirrers:	=
Utensils (plastic):	=

ILLEGAL DUMPING:

TOTAL ↓

Appliances:	=
Construction materials:	=
Tires:	=

OTHER ITEMS/DEBRIS:

TOTAL ↓

Balloons:	=
Clothing:	=
E-cigarettes:	=
Electronic wastes (phones, batteries):	=
Footwear:	=
Paper bags:	=
Tobacco products (lighters, cigar tips, wrap):	=
Toys:	=
Other plastic waste:	=
Other waste (metal, paper, etc.):	=

TINY TRASH LESS THAN 2.5 CM:

TOTAL ↓

Plastic/foam pieces:	=
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DEAD/INJURED ANIMAL:

TOTAL ↓

Type of animal:	
Status: dead/injured	Entangled: yes/no
Type of entanglement:	

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Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 470

**DECLARING THE THIRD SATURDAY OF SEPTEMBER OF EACH YEAR AS
THE INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEAN-UP (ICC) DAY IN
OBSERVANCE OF THE GLOBAL COASTAL CLEAN-UP
CELEBRATIONS**

WHEREAS, the International Coastal Clean-up (ICC) is a global initiative since 1986 by The Ocean Conservancy (TOC), formerly the Center for Marine Conservation (CMC), a Non-Government Organization based in Washington, D.C., USA, together with Environment Protection Agency (EPA);

WHEREAS, the ICC is the largest volunteer effort for the environment and is held every Third Saturday of September of every year in over 100 countries and 54 U.S. states and territories;

WHEREAS, the Philippines joined the ICC in 1994 with the International Marinelife Alliance (IMA) as the country coordinator and more than 3,000 volunteers cleaned the shorelines and underwater sites and since 1998, the Philippines has consistently topped the ICC, in terms of volunteer turnout and has been recognized as "the clean-up capital of the world";

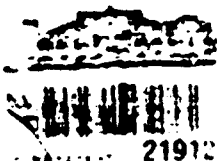
WHEREAS, information collected during the International Coastal Clean-up is used to educate people and create solutions to the problems of solid waste, and litter in our coastal areas;

WHEREAS, it is important that we protect our coastal and marine areas as 80% of Filipinos depend on fish for their protein requirements;

WHEREAS, through partnerships with government, environment groups and citizens, this very important process is gradually changing behaviors and practices that create debris;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 9003, otherwise known as the "Ecological Solid Waste Management Act" was signed into law in 2001 and is a significant positive action in dealing with the debris problem in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, there is a need to declare an ICC day to remind and re-awaken our people for vigilance in support for the continuing crusade against the



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debns crisis all over the world - a united front for all "citizens of the world" to keep Mother Earth clean.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare every third Saturday of September of each year as the ***International Coastal Clean up Day***, consistent with Presidential Proclamation No. 244 declaring September as National Clean-up Month.

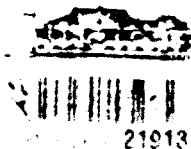
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 15th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

By the President:


ALBERTO G. ROMULO
Executive Secretary







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