

## DATA FORMAT

### Variable definitions:

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Variable	Definition
AREA	Number assigned to shellfish harvesting area
STATION_NUM	Station number within harvest area
FULL_STATION	Full station code. The first two digits are the harvest area and the last three is the station number.
LAT	Station latitude (decimal degrees)
LONG	Station longitude (decimal degrees)
STATUS	Sampling status of station (see note for explanation)
DATE	Date of water sample collection (MM/DD/YYYY)
TIME	Time (24 hour clock) of sample collection (in local time)
DEPTH	Water depth (feet) at station. Relevant for bottom values only.
FC	Fecal coliform count (see note for units)
SAL	Surface salinity (parts/thousand; ppt)
TEMP	Surface temperature (Degrees Centigrade)
DO	Surface dissolved oxygen (micrograms/liter)
BSAL	Bottom salinity (parts/thousand; ppt)
BTEMP	Bottom temperature (Degrees Centigrade)
BDO	Bottom dissolved oxygen (micrograms/liter)
PH	pH of water (hydrogen ion concentration)

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### Notes:

- All water samples are collected at the surface within the first 2 feet, unless noted as a bottom parameter.
- Prior to August 2012 FC is most probable number (MPN)/100ml) using 5-Tube Dilution
- After August 2012 FC is colony forming units (CFU/100ml) using Mtec (Direct plating)
- Not all stations will include latitude/longitude coordinates, as they are included for historical data purposes.
- Blank cells mean the parameter was not collected.
- Stations labeled as “Active” are currently sampled.
- Stations labeled as “Inactive” are historical water sampling stations that are no longer sampled.
- Stations 133, 610, 611, 666, 710, 996, 997, and 998 were reclassified from area 32 (Waccasassa) to area 30 (Cedar Key) in approximately August 2016. If you are downloading these data, we recommend downloading information for both areas (30 and 32) and rectifying the information for these dates. These stations should be considered “inactive” after ~ Aug 2016 for area 32 and “active” for area 30.
- SHA96 data only include 2017 to present. This area was classified as prohibited in 1996 and no sampling occurred until reclassification efforts started in 2017.
- **CSV files will be updated with previous six months of data by January 31<sup>st</sup> and July 31<sup>st</sup>**