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Start Here!

Thank you for booking your sleepover adventure with us! We're excited for you to join us and Sleep Under the Sea!

As you prepare for your adventure, please make sure you take time to review all program and participant information contained in this guidebook.

First things first! Please distribute the waiver link included in your email, along with your **Group Name**, to all participants or legal guardians of participants. A Group Name is based on the name or organization you booked under, such as, "Girl Scout Troop 1000" or "Brooks Elementary Grade 4." The waiver will ask for your **Group Name**. If you are coming alone or in a small family group, please put Name of Person who made the Order or Order Number as the Group Name. **It is important to ensure everyone in your group is using the same group name so we can confirm all your waivers are accounted for one week before your sleepover.**

ALL PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING ADULTS, MUST HAVE COMPLETED THE WAIVERS BY ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE EVENT.

If your group is larger than 20 guests, please fill out the roster we sent with approximately 18 or fewer (including at least 2 adults per group). Please have this roster sent to us 2 weeks prior to your sleepover date.

If you have any questions about your sleepover or about any of the information in this guidebook, we invite you to contact us at 404-581-4024 or send an email to sleepovers@georgiaaquarium.org.

Media Release: All guests of Georgia Aquarium are required to abide by our Terms & Conditions, which includes consent for potential use of a photograph or recording in connection with the Sleepover for all purposes. This could include use in advertising or promotions. Read our full terms & conditions here.

Sleepover Introduction

After everyone has gone home, and the Aquarium has closed its doors for the night, we invite you to join us for an exciting night of exploration! Georgia Aquarium offers sleepovers for families, groups of all ages **7 years of age and older,** schools and adults.

Roll out your sleeping bag and settle in for an ocean-sized adventure! Together with the other sleepover guests, you'll spend the night in one of our amazing galleries, such as:

- 🌊 Ocean Voyager built by The Home Depot
- 🐠 Tropical Diver Gallery
- ❄️ Cold Water Quest Gallery
- 🦈 Sharks! Predators of the Deep Gallery

It's the closest you'll get to sleeping under the sea without getting wet!

Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee sleeping locations. Assignments are made after all guests have checked in, and based upon the group make-up, size, and needs. Additionally, *partial, or entire galleries may be unavailable due to other activities and/or animal care taking place.*

After reading through this guidebook, if you have any questions, please contact the Georgia Aquarium Sleepover team at sleepovers@georgiaaquarium.org or by calling 404-581-4024.

What does my sleepover include? Below is an example of your experience with Sleep Under the Sea. This sleepover adventure includes:

- Georgia Aquarium admission with a 6:30 pm entry time **7:30pm entry time for After Hours Event and Sleepover
- Engaging Activities and Behind the Scenes Tours
- Evening Snacks and Hot Breakfast
- Sleeping Mat
- All day admission after your sleepover
- Next-day entry into our Sea Lion Presentation at Truist Sea Lion Studios*
- Next-day entry into Dolphins Presentation at the Dolphin Coast Theater*

*These presentations do not take place during your scheduled sleepover adventure, but afterward. Presentation times may vary, and all seating is first come, first served with a reservation. There are reserved VIP seating options available for purchase for our Dolphin Celebration Presentations. For more information, contact your booking agent.

**After Hours Event and Sleepover tickets also include two complimentary adult beverage tickets & access to our main galleries.

Educational Objectives

Georgia Aquarium is committed to providing an exceptional experience filled with fun, memories, and awe-inspiring moments. Through the course of your sleepover adventure, we wish for our guests to also be empowered to create a positive change in our world and help preserve the waters of the world. To better assist with this experience, your sleepover adventure aligns itself with the following objectives:

- Identify ways to protect the environment from litter and trash.
- Identify several features of the world's oceans and how human life benefits from the oceans.
- Understand biodiversity and why it's important.
- Learn about the connections and variety of life found in coral reef habitats.

- Learn what steps we can all take to protect aquatic life.

Sleepover Types

General Group and Family Sleepovers
Get ready to explore the Aquarium through a variety of special activities, tours and more! Designed for families with children **ages seven (7) and older**, this program focuses on our aquatic animals and habitats including sharks and whales, and what we can do to help preserve these natural treasures. Exact programming will be adjusted based on the ages of the participants.

Girl Scout and Scout BSA Sleepovers
An evening of learning for the active Girl Scout or Cub Scout/Scout BSA, **ages six (6) and older**, exploring the wonders of water and its inhabitants! Must be a ***Specified*** Girl Scout or Cub Scout night for 6-year-olds to attend. **6-year-olds cannot come on a General night**, even if you are coming with a Girl Scout or Cub Scout Troop. This program explores our major exhibits and discusses conservation issues to help scouts learn how to leave the earth a better place than they found it. Scouts earning aquatic and conservation related patches will get a head start on these in preparation for completing the work at home. *Reminder: There will be male staff members working during all scout sleepovers, but males will not be permitted to sleep in Girl Scout sleeping areas.*

After Hours Events and Sleepovers - For guests over 18 years of age.
This event runs from **7:30 PM - 10:00 AM** and will begin at the After-Hours event. As a VIP guest you will receive two complimentary adult beverage tickets & access to our main galleries for self-exploration and the option to participate in activities facilitated by our tour guides. Prior to the conclusion of After-Hours event, your sleepover adventure begins! Along with your tour group, you will explore the mysteries of the Aquarium while focusing on more adult content.

Adults Sleepovers - For guests over 18 years of age.
This event starts with access to our main galleries for self-exploration and the option to participate in activities facilitated by our tour guides. At the conclusion of your evening exploration, around 9pm, your sleepover adventure begins! Along with your tour group, you will focus on exploring the behind-the-scenes during the morning, beginning after breakfast.

Private Sleepovers
Available select nights only; please call for availability. This option is designed for guests who want the entire Aquarium for themselves! This sleepover parallels the group and family sleepover, with the tours and activities tailored to fit your group. You'll be the only ones sleeping at the Aquarium during your sleepover. Private sleepovers require a booking of at least 80 guests; guests must be aged six (6) and older.

Safety and Security

Your safety is our top priority. In the unlikely event of an emergency, all guests will be asked to pay close attention to instructions provided by uniformed Georgia Aquarium staff members. Sleepover staff members, security and EMTs are trained to respond with proper protocol, keeping our guests and animals as safe as possible, in the event of an emergency.

To ensure the safety of our guests and animals, the following protocols are in place for our Sleep Under the Sea nights:

- All guests will pass through security screening at the group entrance, before entering the building (Main entrance for After Hours Event and Sleepover only).
    - All guest bags will be screened for prohibited items. (Please leave lighters and weapons in your vehicles.)
    - All guests will walk through metal detection devices or be wand screened by security staff.
- Guests attending sleepovers, who are under the age of 18, must have an accompanying adult over the age of 21.
- The Sleepover team will send an email to your group about touring teams. Be sure to have **2 adults 21 and older** per touring team (no more than 18 guests per touring team). All adults need to stay for the entirety of the sleepover if being considered as a chaperone.
- Georgia Aquarium has 24-hour on site security.
- There are security officers and a Paramedic onsite during all our sleepovers.
- **For logistical and security reasons, there is a cutoff time of 7:15pm or a 30 minutes prior to the aquarium closing, whichever comes last for late arrivals. If you are coming after the 7:15pm time, but 30 minutes prior to the aquarium closing, you will come to the main entrance and need to notify the sleepover team ahead of time.**
- Guests desiring to depart during the evening will not be able to return. We cannot offer a price reduction for those guests needing to leave early.
- **Smoking is strictly prohibited inside the Aquarium. This includes all forms of electronic and vapor cigarettes.**
- **Guests are not permitted to exit and re-enter the building once the program has begun.**
- For safety, lighting in most sleeping areas will be reduced but not completely turned off. **In some areas, lighting does not reduce or turn off.**
- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted during any sleepover, with the exception of the After Hours event sleepovers and may only be consumed if served by Georgia Aquarium restaurant staff. Outside alcohol is not permitted inside Georgia Aquarium under any circumstances.
- During any sleepovers, intoxicated, rude, and/or disruptive guests may be asked to leave.
- During any sleepover, a guest who is behaving inappropriately or violating any safety protocol, may be asked to leave.

Please note, the following items are NOT permitted inside Georgia Aquarium:

- Weapons including, but not limited to, guns and knives.
- Outside alcoholic beverages
- Matches/Lighters
- Chewing gum
- Balloons
- Tents

To our law enforcement officers: Please be advised, unless you are currently on duty and dressed in the uniform required by your position, you may not bring weapons inside the facility. If you are an officer who is required to carry a gun on your person at all times, you **MUST** notify security before entering the building.

It is highly unlikely, but from time to time, inclement weather or other emergencies may delay or even cancel a sleepover. If this is the case, and your sleepover adventure is impacted, someone from the Georgia Aquarium team will contact your party with further instructions.
If there is **an emergency** and you need to contact someone attending the sleepover, please **call our 24-hour security dispatch office 404-581-4242**.

Packing for Your Sleepover Adventure

The secret is to pack light! We provide a sleeping mat, but you should consider bringing:

- reusable water bottles (note: refill stations available in the aquarium)
- sleeping bags
- blankets
- pillows
- sweater or hoodie
- PJ's (Sleeping attire of some kind is necessary- including shirts for ALL genders)
- toothbrush and other small toiletries (Note: showers are not available)
- eye mask or ear plugs, if sensitive to lights or sounds
- battery powered phone charger

This will all make your stay much more comfortable.

Twin sized cots & inflatable beds (if they do not require electricity to inflate) are allowed, but please be aware, guests with air mattresses and cots may be asked to sleep further away from exhibit windows to ensure they are not blocking the view of the habitat from others sleeping in the same area.

Electrical outlets are very limited and not available in all sleeping areas. If there are concerns with electronic devices and charging, please consider bringing a battery-operated charger. If you need an electrical outlet because of special needs such as a CPAP machine, please let us know. We'll do our best to make sure you're near an outlet.

Sleeping can be a little hard for some, while away from home. We suggest you bring eye masks and ear plugs if you're sensitive to light or sounds. We do keep emergency and pathway lighting on in our galleries, therefore it will not get dark.

Also, when it comes to our living collection and our facility, we care for them 24 hours a day, meaning some work happens while we sleep. Occasionally, and despite our best efforts, you may hear a door slam or equipment working and moving. Do not be alarmed, it's simply our overnight crews working in the building.

Guest Arrival and Check-In

Directions
Georgia Aquarium's physical address is:
225 Baker Street, NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30313

If you're using a navigation system and intending to park in the Aquarium deck, you'll want to use:
357 Luckie Street, NW, Atlanta Georgia 30313

All regular sleepover guests must enter through the Georgia Aquarium Group Entrance on Baker St.

Parking
If you are arriving by personal vehicle (6ft 8in or shorter), please park in the Aquarium parking deck. We recommend pre-purchasing parking to save time upon exiting the Aquarium. This can be done at the time of booking, added to your existing order or by following the steps below. *If parking is no longer available online, it can still be purchased on the day of your visit.* If the parking deck is full upon your arrival, please tell one of the attendants you are here for a sleepover, and they will allow you entry.

Step 1: Visit https://www.georgiaaquarium.org/booking/directions-parking/

Step 2: Click on the gold "**Buy Parking**" button

Step 3: **Select the start date of your sleepover** from the drop down menu offered at the top center of the page. (There is no need to purchase parking for the day after your sleepover. Your parking pass purchased for the day your sleepover begins will cover your parking throughout the following day until your car exits the parking deck.)

Step 4: Select the number of cars for which you are purchasing parking using. On the right, select the number of parking passes you need.

- If a quantity is not chosen before selecting "Add to Cart", the screen will reload with "Please, choose a seat quantity before continuing." In red font. This is referring to the number of vehicles for which you are purchasing parking.)

Step 5: Click the gold "Checkout" button.

Step 6: Review your order and click the gold "Checkout" button.

Step 7: From here, simply follow the prompts. You are welcome to checkout as a guest or by first logging into, or creating, a Georgia Aquarium Account.

For the safety of your vehicle and belongings, please make sure to leave all valuables out of sight! It is also best **to reserve parking as early as possible** as the early online parking vouchers sell out quickly. *Again*, *if parking is no longer available online, it can still be purchased on the day of your visit.*

At times, there are independent parking vendors that try to direct you into their parking lots. Instead, look for the Aquarium parking deck adjacent to our facility. This deck is monitored by security overnight and will be the safest and most convenient option for your vehicle. The parking deck is located on the corner of Luckie St. & Ivan Allen. It is seven stories tall and is easily recognizable by the large pictures of aquatic life on its exterior.

Buses and other large vehicles (over 6'8") should be prepared to park in the Georgia World Congress Center Marshalling Yard after dropping off Guests. Parking at the Marshalling Yard is available and **must be purchased in advance.**
To purchase parking at Georgia World Congress Center Marshalling Yard, please follow the steps below:

Step 1: Visit https://gwcc.parkingguide.com/marshalling-yard

Step 2: Enter the Entrance Date/Time and Exit Date/Time

Step 3: Put in Code **GABUS25**

Step 4: Complete Purchase

Bus Drivers…Don't worry, the Marshalling Yard is only a couple of blocks away from us! We will send you directions if needed.

When dropping off large groups by bus at the Aquarium, please use the Group Entrance bus loading area on Baker St. **Please notify us prior to your sleepover if you plan to arrive on a bus or other large vehicle.** The group entrance area is not normally open unless we have made plans to greet a large group before their event. There are sometimes traffic cones blocking the area in front of the Group Entrance doors. If so, you can call our security dispatch at 404-581-4242 to ask for an officer to remove the cones.

Traffic in Atlanta can be very unpredictable; please plan accordingly. Georgia Aquarium is near many concert, sports and entertainment venues hosting events on a regular basis. We will do our best to let you know of any traffic concerns so you can plan your travels and arrive on time.

Luggage
When you arrive at your designated time, you'll want to bring all of your sleepover items with you. We'll store your luggage, pillows, blankets, and plush animals inside the building, so you don't have to retrieve them when the evening program concludes. In the morning, during breakfast, you'll be able to return items to your vehicles. Remember, it is a decent walk from our parking garage to our main entrance and our team is unable to assist with carrying luggage or provide carts. **Packing light is always the best option**. Bus pickup for luggage should be between 6:30am and 7:15am or at the end of the sleepover program (9:45am). Please note that there is significant bus activity most mornings and buses may not be able to pull up right next to the Group Entrance.

Check-In
After parking in the deck, take the blue Ocean's Ballroom elevators to the second floor. Once on the second level, find the glass double doors and exit the parking deck. Take the stairs/ramp to your left and walk down Luckie St. towards Baker St. The Aquarium building will curve to your left. Continue walking down Luckie St. and make a left on Baker St. On your left, you will see the **Group Entrance** with big glass windows and glass double doors. The door is typically locked but please approach or knock and our security officer will open it for you. **All guests will proceed through security screening.** Please be advised that weapons (including but not limited to guns and knives), lighters, gum and other items considered dangerous to guests and our living collections are prohibited. Younger guests should not be dropped off and left unattended at any point. If you are dropping your child off to meet another group leader, please come into the aquarium and be sure to leave them in that adult's care before returning to your vehicle. You will go through security and meet with sleepover staff in our Shark Egress space for Registration (waiver checks, luggage storage, etc). Please plan to meet up with your group outside of the Registration space to avoid overfilling the space. We suggest near our Sea Lion area or the entrance to our Ocean Voyager gallery.

Orientation
Between your 6:30-7:15 arrival and the start of our program at 7:25 you'll be able to explore the galleries. Most of our sleepover programs begin promptly at 7:25pm with Orientation. For **After Hours Event and Adult Sleepovers**, orientation begins at 10:00pm. During orientation, you'll meet our talented staff and volunteers and learn all about your program. Make sure you arrive with plenty of time to be here for the meeting. It's information you won't want to miss!

Snack & Breakfast

Family, Groups, Schools, Scouts, Adults Sleepovers
Your sleepover includes an evening snack and breakfast. We suggest your group consider having dinner before you arrive to your sleepover adventure, as **we do not serve dinner**.

- **Evening snack includes** Individual snack-sized bag of chips (ruffles available for gluten free guests) and fruit snacks. Please help protect our planet by **bringing your reusable water bottles.** Single use bottled water will be available by request.

- **Breakfast will typically include** a chicken sausage, egg and cheese croissant, a banana, French toast sticks and water or juice. For the adults, coffee and hot tea will also be available. **A Gluten-free box of cheerios cereal can be available if requested before sleepover date. The chicken sausage patties can be removed from the food tray can be available if requested before sleepover date.** The café itself will not be open to purchase other items until after the sleepover program has ended. Currently, we do not have a vegan or dairy-free option available.

Specialized meals are not available during our sleepover. If you or someone in your group has an allergy or aversion to the meals provided on your program, you may bring your own food. We recommend you bring a lunchbox sized cooler or disposable containers. Please, keep in mind refrigeration is not available. Outside food is not permitted unless there is a dietary need. **If you would like our gluten-free or vegetarian option, please include this in the waivers.**

Also, if you have a reusable water bottle that closes, we suggest bringing that with you in place of using a disposable water bottle. We have several filtered water stations located throughout the building. These stations track how much water flows through them. This means, as your water bottle fills you can see just how much plastic waste you have helped prevent!

After-Hours Event and Sleepovers
In addition to the snack and breakfast of our other Sleepovers, our guests participating in the After-Hours event and Sleepover receive two complimentary adult beverage tickets, which will be given to you upon arrival at the main entrance by the events team. Food options are available for purchase at Coastline Café until 9pm.

While many of our prepared and packaged foods do not contain nuts, our foods are still prepared in a kitchen where nuts may be present.

Sleepover Schedule

Sleepovers Itinerary

Family, Groups, Schools, Scouts

6:30pm-7:15pm – Check-In & Registration at our **Group Entrance**
7:25pm-7:45pm – Welcome Orientation
7:45pm-9:15pm – Behind the Scenes Tours /Activities with seating opportunities
9:15pm-9:30pm – Evening Snacks
9:30pm-9:45pm – Nighttime Orientation
9:45pm-10:30pm – Prepare for bed
10:30pm – Lights out *(11:00pm for adult sleepovers)*
Schedule is subject to change

Guests are expected to stay in assigned sleeping locations and use only approved restrooms after 10:00pm (11:00pm for adult sleepovers). For safety, there will be a security officer posted in our atrium space throughout the night. Should you need assistance, please inform our security officer who will contact your Sleepover Leader on Duty.

Morning

6:00am-7:15am: Wake-Up, Pack and Breakfast
7:15am-7:45am Whale Shark Feed
7:45am-9:15am: Behind the Scenes Tours / Activities with seating opportunities
9:15am-9:45am: Pledge and Activation Expo
9:45am: Program Concludes*

After Hours Event and Adults Only Sleepover Itinerary

Evening

6:30pm - 7:45pm – Check-In & Registration **If After Hours Event, then 7:30pm-8:15pm
7:00pm - 9:00pm – Evening Exploration and Activities **If After Hours Event VIP, then 2 adult beverage tickets are included and exploration until 10:00pm.
9:00pm - 10:30pm – Sleepover Welcome & Luggage Retrieval
Until 11:00pm – Prepare for bed
11:00pm – Lights out

Guests are expected to stay in assigned sleeping locations and use only approved restrooms after 11:00pm. For safety, there will be a security officer posted in our atrium space throughout the night. Should you need assistance, please inform our security officer who will contact your Sleepover Leader on Duty.

Morning

6:00am-7:15am: Wake-Up, Pack and Breakfast
7:15am-7:45am Whale Shark Feed
7:45am-9:15am: Behind the Scenes Tours with seating opportunities
9:15am-9:45am: Pledge and Activation Expo
9:45am: Program Concludes*

*At the conclusion of the program, guests are invited to enjoy the Aquarium on their own and attend any of our live animal presentations. Our team can assist you with making your reservations before your sleepover ends. Presentation times may vary, and seating is on a first come first served basis. Seating may be limited. It is recommended guests arrive to all animal presentation theaters at least 20 minutes prior to any scheduled live animal presentation.

Frequently Asked Questions

What time and where should we arrive?

Sleepovers - Family, Groups, Schools, Scouts, Adults Sleepovers
Sleep Under the Sea check-in begins at 6:30pm and concludes at 7:15pm. Participants are required to check in at the Georgia Aquarium Group Entrance on Baker St.

After Hours Event Sleepovers
After Hours Event check-in begins at 7:30pm and ends at 8:15pm. Participants are required to check in at the main entrance of Georgia Aquarium to pick up your adult beverage tickets and follow signs/ team members to drop off your luggage.

Traffic in Atlanta can be very unpredictable, so please plan accordingly. Georgia Aquarium is near many concert, sports, and entertainment venues hosting events on a regular basis. We will do our best to let you know of any traffic concerns so you can plan your travels and arrive on time.

What's the Aquarium's address?

Georgia Aquarium's physical address is:
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If you're using a navigation system to guide you to the Aquarium deck, you'll want to use:
357 Luckie Street, NW, Atlanta Georgia 30313

What's if pre-paid parking is sold out?

Parking will still be available to purchase Georgia Aquarium deck parking once you are inside the building.

Can our group arrive early?

In some cases, we can accommodate an early arrival with advanced notice and approval by the sleepover team. This is determined on a case-by-case basis. Please keep in mind that in the event we can accommodate your early arrival, we may not be able to store your luggage until check-in time at 6:30pm. You are, however, welcome to enjoy the Aquarium and all presentations until your check in time. At 6:00pm we would ask that you return to your vehicle to retrieve your items for the 6:30pm check-in.

When can we attend the sea lion and dolphin presentations?

Both the sea lion and dolphin presentations are included with your sleepover admission ticket. Guests are welcome to enjoy those presentations once your sleepover program has concluded (next day). The team can assist with making reservations the morning after. Please keep in mind all presentations have first come first serve for seating but require a reservation. Times will vary from day to day.

Limited Reserved seating is available for our Dolphin Presentations at a cost of $5.00 per seat. To purchase tickets for reserved Dolphin Celebration seating, contact your booking agent or call **404-581-4000.**

What's discussed during orientation?

During orientation, we will go over the program schedule, groups, introduce our staff and cover safety protocols.

What's for evening snacks and breakfast?

Evening Snack: Individual snack pack options will include chips and fruit snacks. **Breakfast:** a chicken sausage, egg and cheese croissant, a banana, French toast sticks and water or juice. For adults, coffee and hot tea will also be available

What is the gluten-free and vegetarian option?

For both evening snacks and breakfast, gluten-free options are available if requested before a sleepover. A Gluten-free box of cheerios cereal with milk can be available if requested before sleepover date. The chicken sausage patties can be removed from the food tray can be available if requested before sleepover date. We do not currently have a vegan option.

I have other dietary restrictions. What do I do?

Specialized meals are not available during our sleepover**.** If you, or someone in your group, have an allergy or aversion to the meals provided, you may bring your own food. We recommend you bring a lunchbox sized cooler or disposable containers. Please keep in mind, refrigeration is not available, so your food should be in a small cooler or shelf stable. Outside food is not permitted unless there is a dietary need. Also, while many of our prepared and packaged foods do not contain nuts, our foods are still prepared in a kitchen where nuts may be present.

What should I bring?

We provide a sleeping mat, but you should bring sleeping bags, blankets, pillows, sweater or hoodie, PJ's, toothbrush and other small toiletries and a battery powered phone charger.

Can I request a sleeping area?

We cannot guarantee sleeping locations. Assignments are made after all guests have checked in, and are based upon the group make-up, size, and needs. Additionally*, partial, or entire galleries may be unavailable due to other activities and/or animal care taking place.*

Are there Behind the Scenes Tours?

Yes! All sleepover programs include touring behind the scenes. We also include activities that will provide you with seating opportunities during the touring too.

What time does the sleepover program end?

Our program concludes no later than 9:45am. Guests are invited to stay and enjoy the Aquarium, presentations, and attractions for the entire operating day. Please know that we cannot store luggage after the program as other departments require use of the space. Our staff will take you to our parking lot around breakfast time to allow you to store your luggage in your car. If you are arriving by bus, please schedule your bus driver to arrive between 6:15am and 7:00am so that your group can load luggage back on buses at that time. Guests arriving by rideshare or walking, or for which storage is otherwise needed, please reach out to sleepovers@georgiaaquarium.org so we can make arrangements on a case-by-case basis.

Can I leave the program and come back?

For safety and security reasons, guests leaving during the sleepover program cannot be admitted back into the building.

Can I leave to smoke?

Smoking is not permitted inside Georgia Aquarium. This includes electronic cigarettes and vapor devices. Please keep in mind, guests are not permitted to smoke within 25 feet of the building. Because of safety and security reasons, **once the program begins, guests leaving during the sleepover program, cannot be admitted back into the building.**

Booking Details

When making your sleepover reservation, full payment is required for groups with fewer than 10 guests, regardless of sleepover type.

For groups with 10 or more guests, a $100 deposit will be due at the time of booking.

Please make the final payment four weeks prior to the program date to avoid your reservation being canceled. We are unable to give refunds for no-shows or for leaving early.

Once your reservation is made, please contact your booking agent to make any changes to your reservation.

All After Hours Sleepovers must be booked as a package including VIP admission to the After-Hours event and your sleepover adventure. Tickets for just the adult sleepover portion are not for sale separately from the After-Hours ticket.

After Hours Sleepover packages can be booked by calling the call center or by booking online at https://www.georgiaaquarium.org/experience/sleep-under-the-sea/.

Program nights frequently sell out. Please, make reservations at least two weeks prior to any program date. Dates requested within two weeks may not be available for booking. Additionally, guests find it very helpful to have alternate dates just in case the first option is unavailable.

To make changes to your reservation, please call Georgia Aquarium at 404-581-4000.

Adult & Minor Participant Waivers

Dear Sleepover Guests,

We thank you for participating in our Sleep Under the Sea program at Georgia Aquarium.

At Georgia Aquarium, your safety is our top priority. Please note that during your sleepover, a member of the Piedmont Hospital EMT staff and a security officer will be present. These individuals will help should the need arise. In the unlikely event of an emergency, these individuals are trained to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Please note, Georgia Aquarium team members, including the on-duty EMT and security officer, are only trained and permitted to give immediate and very basic first aid. Any medical concerns larger than basic needs will be given the option to be transported to the nearest medical facility by ambulance or be taken, on their own, by a chaperone from their group. Additionally, Georgia Aquarium team members, including the on-duty EMT and security officer, are not allowed to store or administer **any kind** of medication, whatsoever. Those participants needing to take prescription medication during their visit, should work with their chaperones to ensure delivery of such medication to the participant. Refrigeration for medication is not available. It is suggested you bring a small cooler if needed.

As a condition of participation, and for your safety and wellbeing, we require **each guest** to have completed our waiver. Each minor, under the age of 18, should have their own online waiver filled out by their parent/guardian and the adult have one filled out for themselves as well. You can access our electronic waiver by copying and pasting the link in your sleepover email into your web browser:

Please be advised that guests will not be able to participate in the program until a fully completed waiver has been submitted.

Please distribute the waiver link included in your email, along with your **Group Name**, to all participants or legal guardians of participants. A Group Name is based on the name or organization you booked under, such as, “Girl Scout Troop 1000” or “Brooks Elementary Grade 4.” The waiver will ask for your **Group Name**. If you are coming alone or in a small family group, please put Name of Person who made the Order or Order Number as the Group Name. **It is important to ensure everyone in your group is using the same group name so we can confirm all your waivers are accounted for one week before your sleepover.**

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Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you soon!