

TSK620–b: Sample Water During In-Water Work

See also: [Environmental Manual – Chapter 620](#)

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Start task: The contractor is performing permitted work in a water body of the state.

End task: The Project Engineer (or designee) successfully collects, documents, and reports the water quality samples taken.

1. **Determines** when the contractor will be performing in-water work.
2. **Reviews** the project-specific Water Quality Monitoring and Protection Plan (WQMPP) or water quality monitoring plan to know where to sample and for which parameters.
3. **Takes** the necessary samples at the predetermined locations in accordance with the project-specific monitoring plan or in accordance with the [WSDOT Monitoring Guidance for In-Water Work](#).
4. **Records** the sample value, location, date, and time and additional information on a [Sampling Form for In-Water Work](#).
5. **Follows** the documentation and reporting requirements in accordance with the project-specific water quality monitoring plan. Note: Section 5 of the [WSDOT Monitoring Guidance for In-Water Work](#) addresses documentation and reporting requirements.

Warning: If you have a 401 Water Quality Certification from Ecology, you are required to submit in-water sampling data each month to the Federal Project Coordinator listed in the permit.