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Brazilian Aquatic Mammal Stranding and Information Network (REMAB)

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The Brazilian Aquatic Mammal Stranding and Information Network - REMAB - was created by ICMBio Ordinance No. 43/2011 and updated by ICMBio Ordinance No. 1720/2024.

Operating throughout the country, it is made up of regional networks whose members are listed in the table below, and meeting documents can be found

- Southern Aquatic Mammal Stranding and Information Network (REMASUL),
- Southeast Aquatic Mammal Stranding and Information Network (REMASE),
- Northeast Aquatic Mammal Stranding and Information Network (REMANE) and
- Network of Strandings and Information on Aquatic Mammals of the North and Central-West (REMANOR).

Nationally, it is coordinated by the National Center for Research and Conservation of Aquatic Mammals of the Chico Mendes Institute for Biodiversity Conservation (CMA/ICMBio).

The Network's objective is to coordinate and optimize the actions of its members in monitoring and assisting stranded aquatic mammals and those captured in fishing gear, as well as to develop and facilitate studies on these animals in Brazil.

The information obtained is stored in a national database (SIMMAM - Marine Mammal Monitoring Support System), enabling technical and scientific exchange between institutions that work with aquatic mammals throughout Brazil, also subsidizing actions for the National Conservation Plans (PANs).

To access the SIMMAM platform click here.

Entities participating in regional stranding assistance and information networks

NETWORK	INSTITUTION (full name and acronym)	STATE
REMAB	National Center for Research and Conservation of Aquatic Mammals - CMA/ICMBio	SP
REMASUL	Right Whale Environmental Protection Area / ICMBio	SC
	SE/S Coastal Fishing Research and Management Center - CEPSUL	SC
	Australis Institute	SC
	Aquatic Mammal Study Group of Rio Grande do Sul - GEMARS	RS
	R3 Animal	RS
	Environmental Education and Monitoring Center - NEMA	RS
	EducaMar Brazil	SC
	University of the Joinville Region - UNIVILLE	SC
	University of Itajai Valley - UNIVALI / CTTMAR	SC
	University of the Extreme South of Santa Catarina - UNESC / Zoology Unit	SC
	University of Itajai Valley - UNIVALI / MOVI	SC
	Federal University of Santa Catarina - UFSC / LAMAQ	SC
	Santa Catarina State University - Zoology Laboratory (LabZoo/UDESC)	RS

https://www.gov.br/icmbio/pt-br/assuntos/centros-de-pesquisa/mamiferos-aquaticos/remab

A REMAB é responsável por:

- Monitorar e registrar encalhes de mamíferos aquáticos.
- Atender a animais encalhados, buscando formas de salvá-los ou, caso necessário, realizando a eutanásia e o descarte adequado.
- Coletar informações sobre os encalhes e capturas, visando a identificação de causas e desenvolvimento de medidas preventivas.
- Promover estudos e pesquisas sobre mamíferos aquáticos, contribuindo para o aumento do conhecimento sobre essas espécies e seus ecossistemas.

REMAB is responsible for:

Monitoring and recording strandings of aquatic mammals.

- Assisting stranded animals, seeking ways to save them or, if necessary, performing euthanasia and proper disposal.
- Collecting information on strandings and captures, aiming to identify causes and develop preventive measures.
- Promoting studies and research on aquatic mammals, contributing to increased knowledge about these species and their ecosystems.