



Safety Alert

Crocodile Attack Kills Man

Incident:

A person was attacked and killed by a crocodile while snorkelling at a north Australian beach. <http://news.independent.co.uk/world/australasia/article315306.ece>

Actions:

1. Crocodiles and other wildlife such as snakes, spiders, dingos, sharks and even some types of birds and fish including jellyfish have caused serious injuries and deaths.
2. While these incidents are rare Klinge advises to heed all local advice including any signage and take the following precautionary approach for yourself and loved ones when working or visiting areas where such wildlife is found:
 - a. Swimming – rather than entering the habitat of the animal thereby exposing yourself to the risk of an encounter, seek refreshment in a swimming pool. Never enter a waterway that is known to contain crocodiles or other hazardous marine creatures, or displays warning signs, even if the water looks safe.
 - b. When near beaches, creeks, rivers and or bushland where wild animals may be, use a high level of alertness for such wildlife and keep a safe distance from where the animal may be.
 - c. Always ask locally before using waterways, bushland, walking, running or jogging also tell someone where you are going and when to expect your return, when possible play and or exercise with others, ie in company.



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