

Heightened Security for Ship Schedules

Recent Events

“Recent incidents have prompted us to take some additional steps to protect the security of Navy research vessels. Thus, we are trying to plug holes in the various places where the ship scheduling information might be too easily accessible to those with untoward motives. The action by the UNOLS Office described below is a first step to protect the Navy R/V schedules.”

Changes in Published Schedules

- Navy-Owned Ships- Atlantis, Knorr, Revelle, Melville, Thompson, Kilo Moana
- Still publish a full detail schedule for internal use and scheduled PI's.
- Now publish a “Secured” version for the WWW.

“Secured” Version

- Year
- Ship
- Version & Date
- Scheduler & Contact Information
- Month, PI, PI Contact Info, Name of Project
- Grant #, Days, Agency/Program/Funding

Identifying other public web sites

- Identify cruise web sites that can be password protected.
- Work with each scheduler to try to limit free access to ship schedules.

NOAA has had this procedure in place to limit access to NOAA schedules

Actions taken since October 2012

- Created a “Secure” Permission level within STRS
- Addressed feedback concern from our operators
- Developing a “Password Protected” web site on UNOLS.org
- On going discussion with our federal partners the next steps to be taken.