

Marine Mammal / Sea Turtle Sightings and Interactions

Complete one form for each sighting or interaction with one or more animals of same species

Observer code		Vessel code			Trip ID		
Sightings							
Date(dd/mm/yy)	Time (24-hr)	Haul/Set #	Sighting #	Assoc.Sight. #	Sighting Condition: (Circle one)	Excellent Fair	Good Poor
Latitude	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	° <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	· <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	N S	Wind Speed (kn):	Wave Ht (m): <input type="text"/>	
Longitude	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	° <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	· <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	E W	Water Temp: <input type="text"/>	°C	
Species: _____				Confidence: (circle one) Sure Likely Unsure			
Species Code: _____							
Body Length: (circle one)	<3 m (<10')	3-8 m (10-25')	8-16 m (25-50')	16-26 m (50-80')	>26 m (>80')		
Photos:	Frame #	Video? Y N			Number (Min)	Number (Max)	
Closest Approach	Initial Sight Distance	Number Sighted (Best)			<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	
Initial sighting cue: *Splashes/blow *Birds *Tuna *FAD *Other		Initial sighting by: *Aircraft *Crew *Observer			Vessel activity (circle one) : *Transit/searching *Drifting *Deploying fishing gear *Other *Retrieving fishing gear		
Notes & Identifying Characteristics Include description and drawing of body features, tags, markings, coloration and associated organisms				Behaviors Circle behaviors observed below & describe in "Notes" box			
				Small Cetaceans *Bow riding *Leaping entirely out of water *Porpoising *Slow rolling		Pinnipeds *Jug handle *Porpoising *Rafting *Spooked from haulout *Vocalizing	
				Large Cetaceans *Blow visible at distance *Spy-hopping *Flipper slapping *Group feeding		*Lob-tailing *Breaching *Tail raised on dive *Side wake riding *Stern wake riding	
				Sea Turtles *Still *Feeding		*Dead *Swimming *Other/Unknown	
Fishing Interactions (check all that apply)							
<input type="checkbox"/> Feeding on catch	<input type="checkbox"/> Off hooks or from net	<input type="checkbox"/> Fish from outside net (trawl)	<input type="checkbox"/> Discards				
<input type="checkbox"/> Deterrence used	<input type="checkbox"/> Seal bomb (or other explosive)	<input type="checkbox"/> Acoustic device (pingers)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yelling				
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Towed on gear	<input type="checkbox"/> Other types of noise	<input type="checkbox"/> Skiff	<input type="checkbox"/> Pole gaff			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> TED	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____					
<input type="checkbox"/> Boarded vessel							<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Vessel collision	<input type="checkbox"/> Hit by hull	<input type="checkbox"/> Hit by propeller	<input type="checkbox"/> Hit by hull & propeller				
<input type="checkbox"/> Chased by speedboat	<input type="checkbox"/> Deployed PS around MM	<input type="checkbox"/> Deployed PS within 100m					
<input type="checkbox"/> Entangled/ captured in gear	If yes, fill out Sea Turtle or Marine Mammal Capture Form						<input type="text"/>
							Capture #