

Flatfish Species Description

Observer code: _____ Vessel Code: _____ Trip ID: _____

Common name / code: _____

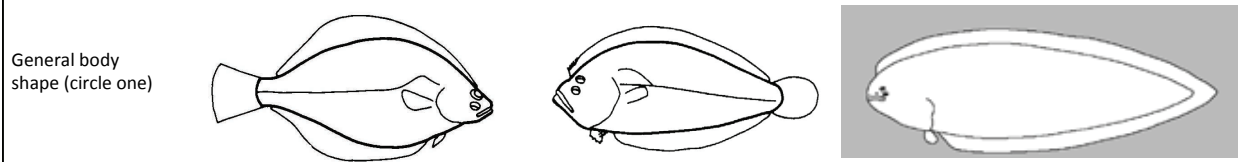
Haul: _____ Specimen collected? **Y / N** Total length (cm): _____ Fork length (cm): _____

Date: _____ Photos? **Y / N** Sex: **M / F / I / U** Weight (kg): _____

| Check box for presence/absence | Present | Absent | Can eye be seen from the blind side? | YES | NO |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|-----|----|
| Pectoral fins | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Dorsal & anal fins separated from caudal fin | YES | NO |
| Pelvic fins | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Is caudal peduncle distinct? | YES | NO |
| Anal spine | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are pelvic fins symmetrical around abdominal ridge? | YES | NO |
| | | | Edge of preopercular bone hidden | YES | NO |

Describe color of blind side: _____

Describe color of eyed side: _____



Where does the maxilla end relative to the lower (ventral) eye? (check one)

- forward of orbit below posterior part of orbit
 below anterior part of orbit beyond the orbit
 below mid-eye

Gill raker count on first arch:

| | Eyed side | Blind side |
|-------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Upper | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Lower | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Total | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |

Draw the animal and include the mouth shape/size, preopercle and tail shape, eye size and position, lateral line shape esp. over pectoral fin, ADB size/location if present, and any other distinctive markings or structures, spots, scales, etc.):

Additional field characteristics used to identify this species: