

Sea Turtle Capture

Observer code	Vessel code	Trip ID
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Identification

Species (check one):

<input type="checkbox"/> Leatherback	<input type="checkbox"/> Hawksbill	<input type="checkbox"/> Olive Ridley	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
<input type="checkbox"/> Green	<input type="checkbox"/> Loggerhead	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown, hardshell	

Carapace color: _____

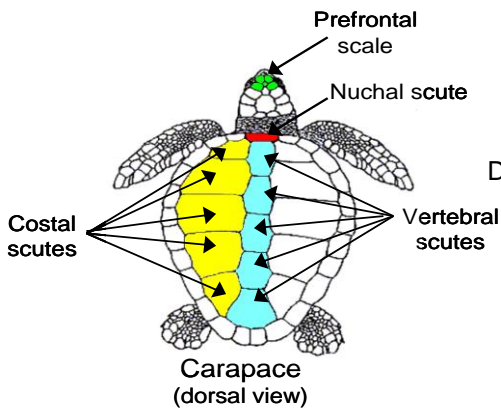
Does the turtle...

Lack a hard shell with scutes?
Nuchal scute touch 1st costal scute?

Y	N	U

Provide counts of the following:

	Left costal scutes
	Right costal scutes
	Prefrontal scales
	Vertebral scutes



Dimensions (cm):

	Curved (measuring tape)	Straight line (calipers)	Estimate (if not boated)
Carapace length			
Carapace width			

Tags

Number	Metal, Plastic, PIT	Position: LF, RF, LR, RR	Already Present or Applied by observer	Were tags removed? Y / N

Pit tag scan?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes			
Living tag	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Describe			
Biopsy?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Type: _____	Specimen #: _____	

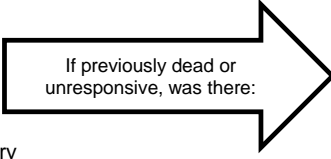
Photos	Y / N
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Capture Information

Date (dd/mm/yy)	Time (24-hr)	Haul/Set #	Carcass #	Water Temp (°C)	Distance to shore (km)
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Capture condition (check one)

- Previously dead
- Inactive / unresponsive / dead (fresh)
- Alive, active, not bleeding, no obvious injury
- Alive, active, bleeding, obvious injury
- Alive, active, unknown condition
- Other (describe):
- Unknown



	Y	N	U
Rigor mortis			
Rotting flesh			
Foul smell			

	Y	N
Was turtle brought on board?		
Did turtle slide out or escape from gear?		
Attempted resuscitation?		

By whom? Crew Observer

Release Information

Date (dd/mm/yy)	Time (24-hr)	Latitude	°	.		N S
		Longitude	°	.		E W

Return Condition (check one)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Dead - marked <input type="checkbox"/> Dead - unmarked <input type="checkbox"/> Salvaged carcass / part <input type="checkbox"/> Treated as catch | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Released-swam away <input type="checkbox"/> Released- blood visible <input type="checkbox"/> Released - sank <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
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Was any gear still attached to turtle upon release?	Y / N
If Yes, describe:	

Comments:

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Gear Specific Information					
Trawl			Gillnet		
Location relative to TED <input type="checkbox"/> No TED <input type="checkbox"/> Forward of TED <input type="checkbox"/> Went through TED (in codend)			Section caught: <input type="checkbox"/> Top 1/3 <input type="checkbox"/> Middle <input type="checkbox"/> Bottom 1/3		
			<input type="checkbox"/> Animal was able to surface		
Hook & line					
Hook type: <input type="checkbox"/> "J" <input type="checkbox"/> Circle <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		Hook size <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/>			
Bait: <input type="checkbox"/> Squid <input type="checkbox"/> Mackerel <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		Hook # (gear form) <input type="text"/>			
Was light stick on hook? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		# gangions to next float <input type="text"/>			
Light stick color (circle): White, Pink, Blue, Green, Red, Yellow, Purple, Other, Unknown					
Hook location: <input type="checkbox"/> Not hooked <input type="checkbox"/> Not known if hooked <input type="checkbox"/> Hooked but location unknown					
Internal: <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown, internal <input type="checkbox"/> Swallowed (esophagus)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Jaw/Mouth - note location in jaw: <input type="checkbox"/> Upper <input type="checkbox"/> Side <input type="checkbox"/> Lower <input type="checkbox"/> Other					
External: <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown, external <input type="checkbox"/> Head/neck <input type="checkbox"/> Rear flipper region <input type="checkbox"/> Front flipper region					
Was animal entangled in gear? Y N U			Was hook removed? Y N U		
Purse Seine					
Were divers or a raft used to attempt sea turtle release?				Y N U	
Was sea turtle entangled in the gear?				Y N U	
If animal(s) entangled in net, describe which section (including mesh size, etc.):					
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