

Beach clean survey summary



To make your data count, please enter actual values only - 'lots', 'many', 'bag fulls' or '100s' can't be used.

Please complete one survey summary per event.

Beach name *

Beach location

Nearest town:

County:

Latitude / OS Grid Ref:

Longitude / OS Grid Ref:

Survey date & time *

Date:

Start time:

End time:

Organiser details

Name*:

Telephone:

Email:

Vital information * (required, or we can't accept the survey data)

Length of beach surveyed (should be 100m):

How many volunteers:

How many bin bags' full:

Extra information

When was the beach last cleaned?

Total weight of rubbish collected from the survey area (kg):

Average width of beach surveyed (m):

Did you clean but not survey any extra areas? If so, how much? (m):

Weather & influencing factors (in the week leading up to the survey)

Winds: Offshore Onshore

Light Strong

Seas: Calm Moderate Rough

Exceptionally high tide

Were there any circumstances that influenced the survey? e.g. beach events

What you found

Did you find any foreign or traceable items?

Note down all the identifying marks, such as country of origin, company, serial no. etc.

Did you find any unusual items?

Include all these items when calculating the total numbers overleaf.

Was there any oil, tar or other pollutants?

If you encounter a pollution event or algal bloom, please report it to the environmental regulator on 0800 807060.

Oil/tar*: Absent Trace Some Objectionable

Plastic pellets*: Absent Present

Small, round pellets approximately 3-5mm in diameter

Did you find any stranded, entangled or dead animals?

Yes No

If yes, how many? _____

If yes, please describe the animal, or give the species name if known:

Is the animal entangled in litter? Yes No

If yes, please describe the nature of entanglement and type of litter:

Is the animal Alive or Dead ?

If you find a stranded or injured animal phone the RSPCA on 0300 1234999 or the SSPCA in Scotland on 03000 999999.

* = Essential information, please ensure you have completed this field

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1 Plastic / Polystyrene	total
4/6 pack yokes	
Bags (e.g. shopping)	
Bags: Small (e.g. freezer / vegetable)	
Bags: Mesh (e.g. vegetable)	
Bottles / containers: cleaner	
Bottles / containers: drinks	
Bottles / containers: toiletries / cosmetics	
Car parts	
Caps / lids	
Cigarette lighters / tobacco pouches	
Combs / hair brushes / sunglasses	
Containers: Food (inc. fast food)	
Cups	
Cutlery / trays / straws	
Fishing line (angling)	
Fishing net & net pieces: 0-50 cm	
Fishing net & net pieces: 50 cm +	
Floats / Buoys	
Foam / sponge / insulation	
Gloves (e.g. washing up)	
Gloves (industrial/professional)	
Oil containers / drums: 0-50 cm	
Packaging / plastic sheeting (industrial)	
Packets: Crisp/sweet/lolly (inc sticks)/sandwich	
Pens & pen lids	
Plastic / polystyrene pieces: 0 - 2.5 cm	
Plastic / polystyrene pieces: 2.5 - 50 cm	
Plastic / polystyrene pieces: 50 cm +	
Shoes / sandals	
Shotgun cartridges	
Strapping bands	
String / cord / rope: thickness 0-1 cm	
String / cord / rope: thickness 1 cm +	
Tangled nets / cord / rope / string	
Toys / party poppers / fireworks / dummies	
Bag ends	
Bottles / containers / drums: Other	
Buckets	
Crates	
Fertiliser / animal feed bags	
Fibreglass	
Fishboxes	
Hard hats	
Injection gun cartridge (e.g. sealant)	
Jerry cans	
Light / glow sticks (tubes with fluid)	
Lobster & fish tags	
Lobster / crab pots & tops	
Octopus pots	
Oil containers / drums: 50 cm +	
Oyster nets / mussel bags (inc. plastic stoppers)	
Oyster trays (round from oyster cultures)	
Sheeting from mussel culture (Tahitians)	
Other (specify)	

2 Rubber	total
Balloons (inc string, valves, ribbons)	
Boots	
Tyres & engine belts	
Tyres used as fenders	
Other (specify)	

3 Cloth	total
Clothing / shoes / towels	
Sacking	
Furnishings	
Shoes (leather)	
Other (specify)	

4 Paper / Cardboard	total
Bags	
Cardboard	
Cartons (purepak e.g. milk)	
Cartons (tetrapak e.g. juice)	
Cigarette packets	
Cigarette stubs	
Cups	
Newspapers / magazines	
Other (specify)	

5 Wood (machined)	total
Corks	
Lolly sticks / chip forks	
Crab / lobster pots & tops	
Crates	
Fish boxes	
Paint brushes	
Pallets	
Other 0-50 cm (specify)	
Description:	
Other 50+ cm (specify)	
Description:	

6 Metal	total
Aerosol / spray cans	
BBQs (disposable)	
Cans (drink)	
Cans (food)	
Caps / lids	
Fishing weights / hooks / lures	
Foil wrappers	
Scrap	
Wire / mesh / barbed wire	
Appliances	
Lobster / crab pots & tops	
Oil drums	
Paint tins	
Other 0-50 cm (specify)	
Description:	
Other 50+ cm (specify)	
Description:	

7 Glass	total
Bottles	
Light bulbs / tubes	
Other (specify)	

8 Pottery / Ceramics	total
Construction material (e.g. tiles)	
Octopus pots	
Other (specify)	

9 Sanitary	total
Cotton bud sticks	
Tampons & applicators	
Towels / panty liners / backing strips	
Wet wipes	
Condoms	
Toilet fresheners	
Other (specify)	

10 Medical	total
Containers / tubes (inc. pill packets)	
Syringes & needles	
Other (specify)	

11 Faeces (⚠ don't touch)	total
Bagged dog faeces	

12 Pollutants	total
Paraffin / wax pieces: 0-1cm	
Paraffin / wax pieces: 1-10cm	
Paraffin / wax pieces: 10cm +	
Other (specify)	

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 & River Clean-up**

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