

SEA TURTLE LIFE HISTORY FORM

01/2013

CAPTURE INFORMATION

TRIP YEAR 20 MONTH DAY

SET/HAUL/TOW SPECIMEN NUMBER BY TRIP EXPERIMENTAL Y / N?
(if Y, note project name in comments)

GEAR TYPE: Longline Gill Net Trawl (note time in comments)

GEAR DEPTH: Surface Midwater Bottom Other _____

TARGET CATCH: _____ TIME (24 hr) WATER TEMP (°F) .

LATITUDE deg . min N / S LONGITUDE deg . min E / W

Did turtle slide out/escape from gear? Y / N Was turtle brought on board? Y / N

IDENTIFICATION (see back)

Number of Photos Taken?

SPECIES: Leatherback Loggerhead Kemp's ridley Green Hawksbill Olive ridley
 Unidentified Hardshell Unknown

CONDITION OF TURTLE AT CAPTURE Injured Uninjured Unknown

(Please check injury status above as well as condition below; complete condition evaluation on p. 2 for any not coded "alive")

Previously dead Fresh dead/comatose/unresponsive Attempted resuscitation: Hindquarters Elevated? Y / N
 Alive Unknown (describe) Other (describe) Rocked? Y / N

IF GEAR IS A FORM OF HOOK AND LINE, COMPLETE THIS SECTION, AS APPLICABLE:

HOOK TYPE "J" Circle other (describe) _____ SIZE /0

MANUFACTURER/STYLE NO. _____ DEGREE OFFSET °

BAIT Squid Mackerel Sardine Unknown Other (describe) _____ SIZE _____

Caught on hook timer? Y / N If yes, fill in time elapsed

Is a light stick on hook? Y / N / U / Not Applicable If No, number of gangions to next light stick

Light stick type (circle): Chemical / LED

Light stick color (circle)? White, Pink, Blue, Green, Black, Red, Yellow, Purple, Other, Unknown

Number of gangions to next float

HOOK LOCATION (See Appendix in manual for descriptive figures)

(circle specific location; check box if specifics are not known; annotate drawing on reverse to indicate location as needed):

Not Hooked Not Known if Hooked Hooked, but location totally Unknown Holding bait/hook

Internal: Unknown, internal

Swallowed (Esophagus) Hook visible? Visible to insertion point / Partial hook / Not visible

Beak/ Mouth (Circle one) Jaw Location (Check one) upper lower side (mouth only)

Check one for mouth: tongue glottis roof of mouth jaw joint other (describe)

External: Unknown, external Beak/ Head/ Neck Carapace/ Plastron

Front Flipper/ Shoulder/ Armpit Rear Flipper/ Groin/ Tail

Was hook recovered from this animal? Y / N / Unknown / Not Applicable

Was animal entangled in gear? At capture? Y / N / Unknown At Release? Y / N / Unknown

How much gear (linear feet) was left on turtle when released? . ft. (estimated/measured)

BIOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Estimated carapace length (notch-to-tip straight line): . ft (needed only if turtle is not boated & measured)

<u>DIMENSIONS (cm)</u>	Curved (measuring tape) Standard Measurements	Straight Line (calipers) Standard Measurements	Straight Line (calipers)
Carapace Length	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> . <input type="text"/> notch-to-tip	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> . <input type="text"/> notch-to-tip	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> . <input type="text"/> notch-to-notch
Carapace Width	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> . <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> . <input type="text"/>	

TAGS (identify address on each tag in the comments section)

Flipper Tag Number	Metal (1) or Plastic (2)	Position (Flipper) LF, RF, LR, RR	Already Present (1) or Applied by Observer (2)	Were Tags Removed?
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PIT Tag **Position (Flipper)**

Scanned? Y / N

Living Tag (describe) _____ Other Tags (describe) _____

(Put PIT tag label here) If you have the option of Decimal or Hexidecimal sequence, choose **DECIMAL**

BIOPSY SAMPLES TAKEN? Y (itemize below) / N / Unsuccessful

RELEASE INFORMATION

LATITUDE deg . min N / S LONGITUDE deg . min E / W

TIME (24 hr) WATER TEMP (°F) .

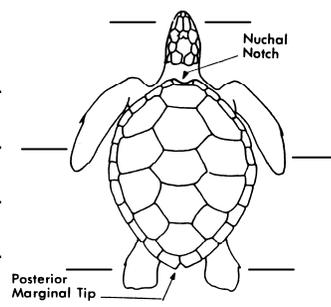
DATE, if different from capture: YEAR 20 MONTH DAY

FINAL DISPOSITION

Discarded Dead/Comatose/Unresponsive Carcass Marked? Y / N

Salvaged Carcass/Parts Released Alive Taken to Holding Facility Unknown (explain)

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (list all biological samples collected; describe/sketch anomalies):



IDENTIFICATION CRITERIA

Number of:

Left Lateral Scutes	<input type="text"/>	Overlapping Scutes?	Y / N / U
Right Lateral Scutes	<input type="text"/>	Inframarginal Pores?	Y / N / U
Vertebral Scutes	<input type="text"/>	1 Pair Prefrontal Scales?	Y / N / U
L. Inframarginal Scutes	<input type="text"/>	Lacks Bony Shell?	Y / N
R. Inframarginal Scutes	<input type="text"/>	Does Nuchal Scute Touch 1 st Lateral Scute?	Y / N / U

CONDITION EVALUATION FOR TURTLES NOT CODED "ALIVE"

Mark each line on diagram above with a 'Y' to indicate positive reflex/response, and 'N' for no response.

Rigor Mortis	Y / N / U
Rotting Flesh	Y / N / U
Foul Smell	Y / N / U

Dorsal Coloration Black Orange/Red-Brown Brown Gray-Green Other _____