

Shorewatch Effort Data Sheet

Please return this data sheet to Shorewatch, Scottish Dolphin Centre, Spey Bay, Fochabers, Moray, IV32 7PJ.
Go to www.whales.org/shorewatch or contact shorewatch@whales.org or 01343 820 339 with questions.

For office use only
Data entered? Date _____
Entered by _____

Shorewatch Site: _____ Latitude: _____ ° _____ 'N Longitude: _____ ° _____ 'W/E

Shorewatch Observer(s): _____

Record of Shorewatch Effort - use a different sheet at each site: (A WDC 'Shorewatch' should be conducted for 10 minutes, using 7 x 50 binoculars)

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Observer Initials	Date	SW Effort Time (circle GMT or BST)		Sea State	Visibility	Cetaceans Present? Y or N	Feeding birds? Y or N	Number & type of boats	Notes	No. of people talked to
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WDC Shorewatches should be conducted by trained observers for 10 minutes of effort and no more often than once per hour. They should be conducted as planned or at random but not because cetaceans are known to be in the area. However, casual or opportunistic sightings made outside of Shorewatch effort may also be recorded under the 'Details of Cetacean Sightings' section on the flip side of this data sheet - please mark them as occurring outside of Shorewatch effort. Data will be used in an ongoing effort to monitor cetacean presence around the Scottish coast and to inform management and legislative decisions. Any data collected about non-cetacean species will be passed to the appropriate data schemes. For more information about WDC, Whale and Dolphin Conservation or our Shorewatch Programme, visit www.whales.org/shorewatch. Please return this data sheet to Scottish Dolphin Centre, Spey Bay, Fochabers, Moray, IV32 7PJ. Contact shorewatch@whales.org or 01343 820 339 with questions.

