

FIVE MINUTE BIRD COUNT STANDARD DATA FIELD FORM

Observer	Date	General location	Specific location
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Line number				
Station number				
Grid ref (Easting, 7 digits)				
Grid ref (Northing, 7 digits)				
Start time (24 hour)				
Temperature (1-6)				
Wind (0-3)				
Other noise (0-2)				
Sun (minutes)				
Precipitation type (N,M,R,H,S)				
Precipitation value (0-5)				

Species	Seen	Heard	Seen	Heard	Seen	Heard	Seen	Heard	Seen	Heard

<p>Sun (0-5) Record approximate duration, in minutes, of bright sun on the canopy immediately overhead</p> <p>Time 24 hour clock, at the beginning of each count</p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Temperature</p> <p>1 freezing < 0°C</p> <p>2 cold 0-5 °C</p> <p>3 cool 6-10 °C</p> <p>4 mild 11-15 °C</p> <p>5 warm 16-22 °C</p> <p>6 hot > 22 °C</p> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Wind The average for each five-minute count on a modified Beaufort scale:</p> <p>0 Leaves still or move without noise (Beaufort 0 and 1)</p> <p>1 Leaves rustle (Beaufort 2)</p> <p>2 Leaves and branches in constant motion (Beaufort 3 and 4)</p> <p>3 Branches or trees sway (Beaufort 5, 6 and 7)</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Temperature</p> <p>1 freezing < 0°C</p> <p>2 cold 0-5 °C</p> <p>3 cool 6-10 °C</p> <p>4 mild 11-15 °C</p> <p>5 warm 16-22 °C</p> <p>6 hot > 22 °C</p>	<p>Wind The average for each five-minute count on a modified Beaufort scale:</p> <p>0 Leaves still or move without noise (Beaufort 0 and 1)</p> <p>1 Leaves rustle (Beaufort 2)</p> <p>2 Leaves and branches in constant motion (Beaufort 3 and 4)</p> <p>3 Branches or trees sway (Beaufort 5, 6 and 7)</p>	<p>Seen and Heard Birds that are first heard should be entered under H (even if they are later seen), birds that are first seen should be entered under S. Adding H and S should give the total number of birds observed</p> <p>Unbounded Counts are unbounded</p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Other Noise i.e. Other than wind the average for the five minutes</p> <p>0 not important</p> <p>1 moderate</p> <p>2 loud</p> </td> <td style="width: 25%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Precipitation type Average for each count</p> <p>N None</p> <p>M Mist</p> <p>R Rain</p> <p>H Hail</p> <p>S Snow</p> </td> <td style="width: 25%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Precipitation value</p> <p>0 None</p> <p>1 Dripping foliage</p> <p>2 Drizzle</p> <p>3 Light</p> <p>4 Moderate</p> <p>5 Heavy</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Other Noise i.e. Other than wind the average for the five minutes</p> <p>0 not important</p> <p>1 moderate</p> <p>2 loud</p>	<p>Precipitation type Average for each count</p> <p>N None</p> <p>M Mist</p> <p>R Rain</p> <p>H Hail</p> <p>S Snow</p>	<p>Precipitation value</p> <p>0 None</p> <p>1 Dripping foliage</p> <p>2 Drizzle</p> <p>3 Light</p> <p>4 Moderate</p> <p>5 Heavy</p>
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