

Beach clean volunteer survey

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

**MARINE
CONSERVATION
SOCIETY**

Beach name: _____

No. of volunteers in group: ____

Your name & email: _____

Keep a running tally as you collect 🗑️ | • Add up your tally and enter your final total • Please enter actual values only – 'lots', 'many', 'bags full', '100s' can't be used

1 Plastic / polystyrene		tally	total	tally	total
4/6 pack yokes				Food containers (inc fast food) - plastic	
Bagged dog faeces				Gloves (e.g. washing up)	
Bags (e.g. shopping)				Gloves (industrial/professional)	
Bags: Mesh (e.g. vegetable)				Hard hats	
Bags: Small (e.g. freezer / vegetable)				Injection gun cartridge (e.g. sealant)	
Bait containers/packaging				Jerry cans	
Biobeads				Light / glow sticks (tubes with fluid)	
Biofilm support media				Lobster & fish tags	
Bottles / containers / drums: Other				Lobster / crab pots & tops	
Bottles / containers: cleaner				Nurdles	
Bottles / containers: drinks				Octopus pots	
				Oil containers / drums: 0-50cm	
Bottles / containers: toiletries / cosmetics				Oil containers / drums: 50cm+	
Buckets				Other plastic fisheries related items not covered by other categories (e.g. from recreational fisheries)	
Caps / lids				Other plastic string and filaments exclusively from fishery (e.g. small net cuttings and repair cords)	
				Oyster nets / mussel bags (inc. plastic stoppers)	
Caps / lids non-drink and unknown origin				Oyster trays (round from oyster cultures)	
Car parts				Packaging / plastic sheeting (industrial)	
Cigarette lighters / tobacco pouches				Packets: Crisp / sweet / lolly (inc sticks) / sandwich	
Cigarette stubs					
				Pens & pen lids	
Combs / hair brushes / sunglasses				Plastic fragments: 0 - 2.5cm	
Commercial salt packaging					
Crates				Plastic fragments: 2.5 - 50cm	
Cups - foamed polystyrene				Plastic fragments: > 50cm	
Cups - plastic				Sheeting from mussel culture (Tahitians)	
Cutlery / trays / straws				Shoes / sandals	
Fertiliser / animal feed bags				Shotgun cartridges	
Fibreglass				Shotgun wads	
Fish boxes - foamed polystyrene				Strapping bands	
Fish boxes - plastic				String & cord (diameter <1cm) not from dolly ropes or unidentified	
Fishing line (angling)					
				String / cord / rope: thickness 1cm+	
Fishing net & net pieces: 0-50cm				String & filaments exclusively from dolly ropes	
Fishing net & net pieces: 50cm+				Tangled dolly rope	
Floats / Buoys				Tangled nets/cord/rope/string no dolly rope or mixed with dolly rope	
Floats / Buoys not from fisheries				Teared off plastic bag (bag ends)	
Foam / sponge / insulation				Toys / party poppers / fireworks / dummies	
Foamed polystyrene fragments: 0-2.5cm				Other (please specify)	
Foamed polystyrene fragments: 2.5-50cm					
Foamed polystyrene fragments: > 50cm					
Food containers (inc fast food) - foamed polystyrene					

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

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

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

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

6 Metal	tally	total
Aerosol / spray cans		
Appliances		
BBQs (disposable)		
Cans (drink)		
Cans (food)		
Caps / lids		
Fishing weights / hooks / lures		
Foil wrappers		
Lobster / crab pots & tops		

Oil drums		
Paint tins		
Scrap		
Wire / mesh / barbed wire		
Other 0-50cm (please specify)		
Other 50cm+ (please specify)		

7 Glass	tally	total
Bottles		
Jars (inc fragments of jars)		
Light bulbs / tubes		
Other (please specify)		

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

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

10 Medical	tally	total
Containers / tubes (inc. pill packets)		
Single use face mask - plastic		
Single use gloves - plastic		
Syringes & needles		
Other (please specify)		

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

Thanks so much for running a beach clean and litter survey. Your data helps us campaign for change and turn the tide on pollution.

Tell us about your clean **#beachwatch** and tag us!

