



Catchment:

Date: ___ / ___ / ___ **Site number:**

1 Survey Area

Location The central point of the maximum accumulation zone or middle of the survey area. *

Latitude:

Longitude:

OS grid ref:

what3words: ///

Length of area surveyed (m)*

Average width of area surveyed (m)

Photos of the site You can upload up to 10 photos of the site and waste accumulation to the online form.

Notes Any additional observations.

2 Volunteer effort

Duration (hours)*

Number of volunteers*

Number of bin bags filled*

Weight of plastic waste collected from the survey area (kg)

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

3 Characteristics of the waste accumulation

Accumulation level How much litter is visible?

- Low - a few bits of litter but not noticeable.
- Medium - noticeable litter but not dominating the area.
- High - noticeable litter and dominating area.
- Very High - litter dominates area and chokes out all other features (natural and man made).

Estimated cause of accumulation Tick all that apply

- Favourable site - one which is frequented often or it is easy to fly tip or drop litter.
- Difficult access - an area which is hard to reach i.e. steep banks or very overgrown.
- River obstruction - something in the river such as a weir or tree that is holding back litter.



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4 Site characteristics/features

Site type Stream River (non-tidal) River (tidal) Estuary Beach Other

Rain (in the past 48 hours) None Light rain/showers Heavy/prolonged rain

For sites in the upstream catchment:

Flow conditions Still Slow Steady (walking speed) Surging

Water level Low Average Above average High (close to bankful)

For coastal sites:

Orientation N NE E SE S SW W NW

Exposure Low Medium High

Sea conditions Calm Moderate Rough Exceptionally high tide

Wind Light Strong Offshore Onshore

5 Operational aspects for collection

Accessibility Easy Medium Difficult

Additional useful information e.g. parking, foot paths, disabled access etc.

Facilities General waste bins Recycling bins Dog waste bins

Any other waste collection containment in place and any issues such as overflowing, accessibility etc.

Means of collection How are the volunteers removing the litter?

Pedestrian Boat Kayak/canoe SUP Car Working machinery Other

Means of storage How is the litter being stored until it is collected/removed?

Bin bag Garbage bin Other (please specify)



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6 Additional information (optional)

Any information about the litter sources and pathways that you may know or observe should be noted here. This helps us to identify and develop effective interventions.

Were there any circumstances that influenced the survey?

e.g. local events in the days before.

Did you find any unusual items?

Don't forget to share these on social media and tag @Plastic_EU!

Sources/pathways of the waste material

Were there any predominant waste types? Think about where the material may be coming from and how it is being transported.

Opportunities/ideas to tackle waste

How do you think we can tackle plastic pollution and litter in this area?