

# SEA TURTLE STRANDING AND SALVAGE NETWORK – STRANDING REPORT

## OBSERVER'S NAME / ADDRESS / PHONE:

First \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Area code/Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

## STRANDING DATE:

Year 20\_\_ \_\_ Month \_\_ \_\_ Day \_\_ \_\_

Turtle no. by day \_\_ \_\_ Time \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ \_\_

Coordinator must be notified within 24 hrs;  
this was done by  phone (561)575-5407  
 email  fax (561)743-6228

## SPECIES: (check one)

- CC = Loggerhead
- CM = Green
- DC = Leatherback
- EI = Hawksbill
- LK = Kemp's Ridley
- LO = Olive Ridley
- UN = Unidentified

**Check Unidentified if not positive. Do Not Guess.**

Carcass necropsied?  Yes  No

Photos taken?  Yes  No

Species verified by coordinator?

Yes  No

## SEX:

- Undetermined
- Female  Male

Does tail extend beyond carapace?

Yes; how far? \_\_\_\_\_ cm / in  
 No

How was sex determined?

- Necropsy
- Tail length (adult only)

## STRANDING LOCATION:

Offshore (Atlantic or Gulf)  Inshore (bay, river, sound, inlet, etc)

State \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Descriptive location (be specific) \_\_\_\_\_

Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_

## CONDITION: (check one)

- 0 = Alive
- 1 = Fresh dead
- 2 = Moderately decomposed
- 3 = Severely decomposed
- 4 = Dried carcass
- 5 = Skeleton, bones only

## FINAL DISPOSITION: (check)

1 = Left on beach where found; painted?  Yes\*  No(5)

2 = Buried:  on beach /  off beach;  
carcass painted before buried?  Yes\*  No

3 = Salvaged:  all /  part(s), what/why? \_\_\_\_\_

4 = Pulled up on beach/dune; painted?  Yes\*  No

6 = Alive, released

7 = Alive, taken to rehab. facility, where? \_\_\_\_\_

8 = Left floating, not recovered; painted?  Yes\*  No

9 = Disposition unknown, explain \_\_\_\_\_

*\*If painted, what color? \_\_\_\_\_*

## TAGS: Contact coordinator before disposing of any tagged animal!!

Checked for flipper tags?  Yes  No

**Check all 4 flippers.** If found, record tag number(s) / tag location / return address

PIT tag scan?  Yes  No

If found, record number / tag location

Coded wire tag scan?  Yes  No

If positive response, record location (flipper)

Checked for living tag?  Yes  No

If found, record location (scute number & side)

## CARAPACE MEASUREMENTS: (see drawing)

### Using calipers

Circle unit

Straight length (NOTCH-TIP) \_\_\_\_\_ cm / in

Minimum length (NOTCH-NOTCH) \_\_\_\_\_ cm / in

Straight width (Widest Point) \_\_\_\_\_ cm / in

### Using non-metal measuring tape

Circle unit

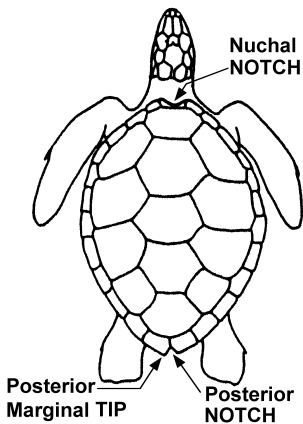
Curved length (NOTCH-TIP) \_\_\_\_\_ cm / in

Minimum length (NOTCH-NOTCH) \_\_\_\_\_ cm / in

Curved width (Widest Point) \_\_\_\_\_ cm / in

Circle unit

**Weight**  actual /  est. \_\_\_\_\_ kg / lb



Mark wounds / abnormalities on diagrams at left and describe below (note tar or oil, gear or debris entanglement, propeller damage, epibiota, papillomas, emaciation, etc.). **Please note if no wounds / abnormalities are found.**

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