

Form no. (leave blank)

SEASEARCH SURVEY FORM

If anything is unclear please refer to the Guidance Notes.
Each pair of divers should complete a form between them.
Please complete all parts of the form. Where there is a *
fill in the information only if you know it.



Validated by	Entered by	MR ref.
Date	Date	Recorder leave blank for Seasearch use

Your details

Name	Tel No.	hm/wk/mob
Address	email	
	Buddy's name	
	Postcode	
Name of group or survey		

Dive/site details

Site name				Date of dive				
General location				Start of dive		(24hr)		
				Dive duration		(mins)		
				Sea temperature		°C		
				U/W visibility		m		
Position	Latitude	Longitude	W or E	Drift dive? <input type="checkbox"/>				
Centre of site	°	°		Night dive? <input type="checkbox"/>				
For drift dives				Did you or your buddy take any of the following?				
From	°	°		photographs	<input type="checkbox"/>			
To	°	°		video footage	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Or OS Grid Ref	square	E	N	specimens	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Position derived from				seaweeds for pressing	<input type="checkbox"/>			
GPS datum				For the area surveyed what was				
Exposure of site				the shallowest depth (m)?	<input type="text"/>	bsl	<input type="text"/>	bcd
				the deepest depth (m)?	<input type="text"/>	bsl	<input type="text"/>	bcd
Max tidal stream				Tidal correction to chart datum		<input type="text"/>	m *	

Seabed summary

Summarise: a. The main features of the site, b. Any unusual features or species, c. Any human activities or impacts at the site

Habitat descriptions

Complete a box below for each **habitat** you found on your dive. Normally the shallowest habitat is No. 1 even if you have done the deepest dive first. Each written description should tally with the information entered in the columns and diagrams on the next page. If you found more than 3 habitats, continue your descriptions on another form. Tick boxes where shown, and insert percentages (they must add up to 100%) or assign a score from 1-5 as appropriate. If you are uncertain leave the box blank. The biotope code will be assigned later from your description,

1. DESCRIPTION (physical and community)

Biotope Code

Seabed type: rock boulders cobbles pebbles gravel sand mud wreckage other

Communities: kelp forest kelp park mixed seaweeds seagrass bed enc pink algae

animal turf animal bed sediment with life barren sediment

2. DESCRIPTION (physical and community)

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1	2	3
m		
DEPTH LIMITS		
Upper (from sea level) (i.e. minimum)		
Lower (from sea level) (i.e. maximum)		
Upper (from chart datum) *		
Lower (from chart datum) *		

%		
SUBSTRATUM		
Bedrock type?		
Boulders - very large > 1.0 m		
- large 0.5 - 1.0 m		
- small 0.25 - 0.5 m		
Cobbles (fist - head size)		
Pebbles (50p - fist size)		
Gravel - stone		
- shell fragments		
Sand - coarse		
- medium		
- fine		
Mud		
Shells (empty or as large pieces)		
Shells (living e.g. mussels, limpets)		
Artificial - metal		
- concrete		
- wood		
Other (state)		
Total = 100 please!		

1	2	3
1-5		
FEATURES - ROCK (all categories)		
Relief of habitat (even - rugged)		
Texture (smooth - pitted)		
Stability (stable - mobile)		
Scour (none - scoured)		
Silt (none - silted)		
Fissures > 10 mm (none - many)		
Crevices < 10 mm (none - many)		
Boulder/cobble/pebble shape (rounded - angular)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sediment on rock? (tick if present)		

tick		
FEATURES - SEDIMENT (1)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mounds / casts		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Burrows / holes		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Waves (> 10 cm high)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ripples (< 10 cm high)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Subsurface coarse layer		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Subsurface anoxic (black) layer		

1-5		
FEATURES - SEDIMENT (2)		
Firmness (firm - soft)		
Stability (stable - mobile)		
Sorting (well - poor)		

Sketches and plans

Insert a **profile and/or plan** of the seabed you encountered on your dive into the space below (click in the space). Mark (& number the different habitats, corresponding to the written descriptions on p.2. Indicate conspicuous and/or characteristic species. Make sure you include **depth(s)** (vertical axis and a **distance** scale (horizontal axis) for a profile and scale and north point for a plan. Indication the direction of the profile or plan and the direction of any current.

- > prepare your sketch on paper
- > scan it
- > click here to copy the scanned image file from your computer
- > NOTE: inserting a second image will erase the first one

Please use this page for any additional observations and notes that you think may be useful