



# SEA TURTLE ENTANGLEMENT REPORT FORM

OMB Control No. 0648-0496; Exp Date: XX/XX/XXXX

FIELD #: \_\_\_\_\_

Shaded area for NOAA Fisheries Service (NMFS) use only EVENT CONFIRMATION: ☐ Confirmed ☐ Probable ☐ Not confirmed

INITIAL OBSERVATION: Observer name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Observer affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Observation date: \_\_\_\_\_ (mm / dd / yyyy) Time: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ am ☐ pm

Turtle condition: ☐ Alive ☐ Fresh dead ☐ Moderately decomposed ☐ Severely decomposed ☐ Dried carcass ☐ Skeleton ☐ Unknown

EXAMINATION / RESPONSE: Responder name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Responder affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Response date: \_\_\_\_\_ (mm / dd / yyyy) Time responder arrived on scene: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ am ☐ pm

Turtle condition: ☐ Alive ☐ Fresh dead ☐ Moderately decomposed ☐ Severely decomposed ☐ Dried carcass ☐ Skeleton ☐ Unknown

PHOTO DOCUMENTATION: Photos taken: ☐ Yes ☐ No Video taken: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Documentation of: ☐ Turtle in gear ☐ Injuries / entanglement site ☐ Buoy colors, numbers and any other identifiable feature(s)

LOCATION: State: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ Nearest port / town: \_\_\_\_\_

Locality details: \_\_\_\_\_ Stranded ashore: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Latitude: \_\_\_\_\_ N Longitude: \_\_\_\_\_ W

TURTLE DATA: Species or description: \_\_\_\_\_

Straight carapace length:\*\* \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ cm ☐ in ☐ actual ☐ est.

Sex: ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Not examined ☐ CBD

Curved carapace length:\*\* \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ cm ☐ in ☐ actual ☐ est.

Does tail extend beyond carapace? ☐ Yes ☐ No

\*\*Carapace length is measured from nuchal notch to posterior tip (see diagram in instructions)

If Yes, how far? \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ cm ☐ in ☐ actual ☐ est.

Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ kg ☐ lb ☐ actual ☐ est.

Sex determined by: ☐ Necropsy ☐ Tail length (adults only) ☐ N/A

GEAR TYPE: Indicate the primary (in contact with turtle) entangling gear with a "P" and secondary gear with an "S". Fill out all applicable details.

\_\_\_\_ Vertical Line with Surface Buoy

Line attached to bottom gear: ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, bottom gear: ☐ Pot(s) ☐ Net ☐ Unknown ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of line between turtle and surface buoy: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ cm ☐ in ☐ actual ☐ est.

\_\_\_\_ Line Only (no buoy)

Type: ☐ Monofilament ☐ Multifilament (e.g. nylon or poly rope) ☐ Unknown

Hook(s) present: ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, where attached to turtle: ☐ Not attached ☐ Mouth ☐ Ingested (past mouth) ☐ Soft tissue (not mouth)

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\_\_\_\_ Net

Type: ☐ Monofilament ☐ Multifilament (e.g. nylon) ☐ Unknown

\_\_\_\_ Fish Trap (pound net / weir)

Location: ☐ Free-swimming in trap ☐ Entangled in leader ☐ Entangled in trap ☐ Other (describe in Additional Remarks)

\_\_\_\_ Other Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

## GEAR DETAILS:

Net Estimated stretched mesh size: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ cm ☐ in ID number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Pot(s) Number of pots: \_\_\_\_\_ ID Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Buoy(s) Number of buoys: \_\_\_\_\_

Buoy 1

Buoy 2

Buoy 3

Type

Color/Pattern

ID Number(s) / Letter(s)

Line(s)

Number of lines: \_\_\_\_\_ Color 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Color 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Color 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Biofouling present on gear: ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, % of visible gear covered by biofouling: \_\_\_\_\_ % (describe type of biofouling in Additional Remarks)

Gear retrieved: ☐ Yes- all ☐ Yes- partially ☐ No If Yes, disposition: ☐ Initial observer ☐ STDN member ☐ State agency ☐ NMFS Gear Team

## DISENTANGLEMENT OUTCOME: (Check one)

☐ Disentangled and released

☐ Entangled / no action taken

☐ Relocated to: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Partially disentangled and released

☐ Entangled / not relocated

☐ Euthanized

☐ Collected for treatment at: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Lost during disentanglement

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## CARCASS / SAMPLE DISPOSITION: (Check all that apply)

☐ Left at site

☐ Necropsied

☐ Biopsied

☐ Towed ashore

☐ Scientific collection

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Buried ☐ Off beach ☐ On beach

☐ Educational collection

☐ Unknown

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