

# FAD Recovery Form

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Data collection form regarding FADs, FAD debris and/or satellite buoys

## Form

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## Observer/ person who found the FAD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Sighting information

(Tick one or several)  FAD  Satellite buoy  FAD + buoy

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Island: \_\_\_\_\_ Buoy Serial: \_\_\_\_\_ Buoy Manufacturer: \_\_\_\_\_

Location (If no GPS, write name and/or describe it): \_\_\_\_\_

Environment:  Caught on coral forereef  Drifting in the ocean  Inside reef crest/coral rubble  Live coral  Sand/Beach  
 Other

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

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of pictures: \_\_\_\_\_ Pictures taken by: \_\_\_\_\_

## FAD Information

Painted marks on the buoy: \_\_\_\_\_ Other marks on the FAD: \_\_\_\_\_

FAD condition:  Intact with submerged tail  Intact without submerged tail  Beginning to break  Mostly fallen apart

Raft materials:  Bamboo  Wood  Plastic or metal drums  Floats  PVC tubes  Cords  Nets  Steel  Cotton canvas  
 Plastic sheet  Palm leaves  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Submerged tail materials:  Net  Net tied as a "sausage"  Cord  Plastic sheet  Palm leaves  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Measured size of the raft (Length x Width): \_\_\_\_\_

Measured or estimated length of submerged tail (m): \_\_\_\_\_

Any additional information to complete the FAD description: \_\_\_\_\_

## Fate of the FAD/ the buoy

FAD removed?  Yes  No If so, why?  Avoid pollution  Landfill  Burned  Recycled

Other fates:  Unknown  Left  Sunk  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Buoy removed?  Yes  No If so, why? Potential reuse, storage for later date

## Impact on marine life

Entangled animals?  None  Turtle  Shark  Coral  Fish  Marine mammal  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Status:  Dead  Alive  Unknown Species (if known): \_\_\_\_\_ Number of individuals: \_\_\_\_\_

Fish aggregated under the FAD  Yes  No Species (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

If FAD is entangled on coral reef please state the approximate size of the area impacted: \_\_\_\_\_

These forms must be submitted to the IATTC at either of the addresses below:

- Address: Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission  
8901 La Jolla Shores Drive  
La Jolla, CA 92037-1509
- E-mail: [datahandlers@iattc.org](mailto:datahandlers@iattc.org)