

Cetacean Level A Data Record



Field # (ECCN#): _____ (Leave blank)

Observers: _____

Date/Time First Observed: _____

Species: _____

Common Name: _____

Condition Code: 1 2 3 4 5

Baleen Present? Y N Ventral Grooves? Y N

Length: _____ Weight: _____

Sex: M F CBD

Human Interaction: Y N CBD

Fishery Interaction? Y N

Type of Fishery: _____

Mass Stranding? Y N # of animals _____

Date/Time of Death: _____

Date of Recovery: _____

Date of Necropsy/Exam: _____

Carcass: Fresh Frozen

Necropsy: Y N; Location: _____

Country: _____ Island: _____

Location: _____

Lat/Long: _____ N/ _____

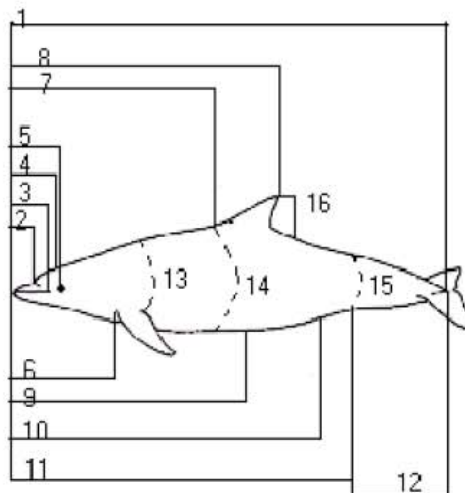
Images: Digital Print Slide Video

Image disposition: _____

Morphometrics: Left / Right Measurer: _____ Units: _____

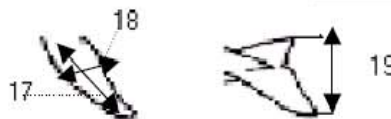
Straight Line (taken from tip of upper jaw to...)

1 (total: to fluke notch)	.
2 (apex of melon)	.
3 (gape of mouth)	.
4 (center of eye)	.
5 (center of blowhole)	.
6 (ant. insert pec.)	.
7 (ant. insert d. fin)	.
8 (d. fin tip)	.
9 (umbilicus)	.
10 (center of genital slit)	.
11 (anus)	.
12 (fluke notch to anus)*	.



Girths

13 (axilla)	.
14 (ant. insert d. fin)	.
15 (anus)	.



Appendages

16 (d. fin height)	.
17 (pec. fin ant. length)	.
18 (pec. fin max width)	.
19 (fluke width)	.

Blubber Thickness (mm)

13-Dor	.
13-Lat	.
13-Vent	.

Emaciated: Yes / No / CBD

Tooth Counts: LL: ___ UL: ___ LR: ___ UR: ___

Level A Samples Collected	
	skin (genetics)
	Teeth/Jaw
	Photos
	Other:
	Other:

Field Notes /Comments:

Collecting data from stranded cetaceans:

1. For all cetacean strandings collect: GPS location, photograph of the left side of the animal (when possible), and all data for front page of this data sheet.
2. Condition Code: (1)= alive, (2)= fresh dead/ known time of death, (3)= moderate decomposition, (4)= advanced decomposition, (5)= mummified or skeletal remains.
3. Under field notes comment on the circumstances of the stranding, anything notable about the location, conditions, etc.
4. Terms: CBD= Cannot Be Determined, NE= Not Examined, NA = Not Applicable
5. Follow the diagram to collect the measurements.

External and Human Interaction Examination

% Skin missing: <10% 10-25% 25-50% >50%

WHOLE BODY EXAM	YES	NO	CBD	NE	NA	Image taken (Y or N)
1- Head/appendages removed (<i>with instrument</i>)						
2- Pelt removed (<i>with instrument</i>)						
3- Body sliced (<i>with instrument</i>)						
4- Gear/debris present on animal						
5- Gear retained (<i>name and contact info in comments</i>)						

DETAILED EXAM OF ANATOMICAL AREAS	Mark / lesion observed?					Type of Mark or Lesion Observed								
	YES	NO	CBD	NE	NA	Impression	Laceration	Abrasion	Puncture	Other	External pathology (pox, tattoo lesion, abscess)	Natural markings (scars, tooth rakes, unusual pigmentation)	Predation / scavenger damage	Images taken? (Y or N)
6- Rostrum/snout														
7- Mandible														
8- Head														
9- R front appendage														
10- R body														
11- Dorsum/dorsal fin														
12- L front appendage														
13- L body														
14- Ventrums														
15- Peduncle														
16- R rear appendage														
17- L rear appendage														
18- flukes/tail														
19-														

Explanation (for all YES and CBD above, note the line number and provide details):

