

Beach clean volunteer survey

Beach name: _____

Your name & email: _____

Just in case the organiser needs to query anything

Total **number** of rubbish bags collected: _____

Total **weight** of rubbish bags collected: _____ Date: ____/____/____

- To make your data count, please enter actual values only - 'lots', 'many', 'bag fulls' or '100s' can't be used.

What it's made of, and category no.

Keep a running tally as you collect your litter

1 Plastic / polystyrene	tally	total
4/6 pack yokos		
Bag ends		
Bags (e.g. shopping)		
Bags: Mesh (e.g. vegetable)		
Bags: Small (e.g. freezer / vegetable)		
Bottles / containers / drums: Other		
Bottles / containers: cleaner		
Bottles / containers: drinks		
Bottles / containers: toiletries / cosmetics		
Buckets		
Caps / lids		
Car parts		
Cigarette lighters / tobacco pouches		
Combs / hair brushes / sunglasses		
Containers: Food (inc. fast food)		
Crates		
Cups		
Cutlery / trays / straws		
Fertiliser / animal feed bags		
Fibreglass		
Fishboxes		
Fishing line (angling)		
Fishing net & net pieces: 0-50 cm		
Fishing net & net pieces: 50 cm +		
Floats / Buoys		
Foam / sponge / insulation		
Gloves (e.g. washing up)		
Gloves (industrial/professional)		
Hard hats		
Injection gun cartridge (e.g. sealant)		
Jerry cans		
Light / glow sticks (tubes with fluid)		
Lobster & fish tags		
Lobster / crab pots & tops		
Octopus pots		
Oil containers / drums: 0-50 cm		
Oil containers / drums: 50 cm +		
Oyster nets / mussel bags (inc. plastic stoppers)		
Oyster trays (round from oyster cultures)		
Packaging / plastic sheeting (industrial)		
Packets: Crisp / sweet / lolly (inc sticks) / sandwich		
Pens & pen lids		
Plastic / polystyrene pieces: 0 - 2.5 cm		
Plastic / polystyrene pieces: 2.5 - 50 cm		
Plastic / polystyrene pieces: 50 cm +		
Sheeting from mussel culture (Tahitians)		
Shoes / sandals		
Shotgun cartridges		
Strapping bands		
String / cord / rope: thickness 0-1 cm		
String / cord / rope: thickness 1 cm +		
Tangled nets / cord / rope / string		
Toys / party poppers / fireworks / dummies		
Other (please specify)		

X. Example	tally	total
Litter item <i> </i>	<i> </i>	<i>27</i>

Add up your tally and enter your final total here

2 Rubber	tally	total
Balloons (inc string, valves, ribbons)		
Boots		
Tyres & engine belts		
Tyres used as fenders		
Other (please specify)		

3 Cloth	tally	total
Clothing / shoes / towels		
Furnishings		
Sacking		
Shoes (leather)		
Other (please specify)		

4 Paper / cardboard	tally	total
Bags		
Cardboard		
Cartons (purepak e.g. milk)		
Cartons (tetrapak e.g. juice)		
Cigarette packets		
Cigarette stubs		
Cups		
Newspapers / magazines		
Other (please specify)		

5 Wood (machined)	tally	total
Corks		
Crab / lobster pots & tops		
Crates		
Fish boxes		
Lolly sticks / chip forks		
Paint brushes		
Pallets		
Other 0-50 cm (please specify)		
Other 50+ cm (please specify)		

6 Metal	tally	total
Aerosol / spray cans		
Appliances		
BBOs (disposable)		
Cans (drink)		
Cans (food)		
Caps / lids		
Fishing weights / hooks / lures		
Foil wrappers		
Lobster / crab pots & tops		
Oil drums		
Paint tins		
Scrap		
Wire / mesh / barbed wire		
Other 0-50 cm (please specify)		
Other 50+ cm (please specify)		

7 Glass	tally	total
Bottles		
Light bulbs / tubes		
Other (please specify)		

8 Pottery / ceramics	tally	total
Construction material (e.g. tiles)		
Octopus pots		
Other (please specify)		

9 Sanitary	tally	total
Condoms		
Cotton bud sticks		

Tampons & applicators		
Toilet fresheners		
Towels / panty liners / backing strips		
Wet wipes		
Other (please specify)		

10 Medical	tally	total
Containers / tubes (inc. pill packets)		
Syringes & needles		
Other (please specify)		

11 Faeces (▲ don't touch)	tally	total
Bagged dog faeces		

12 Pollutants	tally	total
Paraffin / wax pieces: 0-1cm		
Paraffin / wax pieces: 1-10cm		
Paraffin / wax pieces: 10cm +		
Other (please specify)		

Thanks so much for running a beach clean and litter survey. Your data helps us campaign for change and turn the tide on pollution.

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