

# Dive Against Debris®

# Data Card

Dive Against Debris® is a survey of underwater marine debris. Only report debris you find underwater while on SCUBA through Dive Against Debris®. Survey leaders should record all diver findings for the same individual survey dive, onto one Data Card. Then, for all English data submissions report your data online at [www.projectaware.org/DiveAgainstDebrisData](http://www.projectaware.org/DiveAgainstDebrisData), for all other languages, please email your completed Data Card to [diveagainstdebris@projectaware.org](mailto:diveagainstdebris@projectaware.org). See the **Dive Against Debris® Survey Guide** for instructions on using this form.

<b>Survey Date</b> (DD/MM/YYYY)	<b>Survey Site Name</b>	<b>Organisation/Dive Centre</b>
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<b>Survey Site Location</b> (nearest landmark to help verify location i.e. adjacent road name, nearest city/town, state/province, country)	<b>Number of Participants</b>
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<b>Survey Site GPS Coordinates</b> Latitude _____ Longitude _____ <small>(Set your GPS Map Datum to WGS84) (Take your readings in decimal degrees)</small>	<b>Survey Duration</b> (in minutes)
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<b>Survey Depth Range</b> (circle one: metres or feet) _____ max _____ min	<b>Area surveyed</b> (circle one: m <sup>2</sup> or ft <sup>2</sup> )	<b>Total weight of all Debris Collected</b> (circle one: kg or lb) Estimated: _____ OR Measured: _____ <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Our Survey Site Was Free Of Debris</b>
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<b>Survey Leader Name</b>	<b>Survey Leader Email</b>
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<b>Dominant Substrate</b> (circle one) • Sand                      • Coral • Silt                        • Seagrass • Gravel                    • Other (please describe) • Rock	<b>Ecosystem</b> (circle one) • Coral reef                • Mangroves • Rocky reef                • Seagrass • Kelp                        • Other (please describe)	<b>Waves</b> (circle one) Calm (0-0.1 metres/0-4 inches high) Smooth (0.1-0.5 metres/4-19 inches high) Slight (0.5-1.25 metres/19 inches-4 feet high) Moderate (greater than 1.25 metres/4 feet high)
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<b>Weather Conditions from Previous Week</b>	<b>Did You Find Entangled Animals?</b> Identify animal(s) found _____ Identify debris item _____ Record number of each Entangled Animal _____ Was the animal:    dead? <input type="checkbox"/> injured? <input type="checkbox"/> released unharmed? <input type="checkbox"/>
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<b>Are you aware of an event that could have contributed to the debris you have documented?</b> If so, describe and provide verification – link to the news, etc	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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<b>Items of Local Concern</b> List the top three debris items you consider a problem in your location and tell us why 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
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<b>What is the most unusual item found?</b>	<b>Photos</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Entangled Animals, marine debris impacts, items you cannot identify, items you did not remove, etc. See the Survey Guide for more info. Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
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Count all debris items as one, regardless of size. See **Too Small to Count** in the **Dive Against Debris® Survey Guide** for counting large quantities of small pieces. Debris items are listed under the main material of construction. List items that do not fit into a category here:

Other Debris Items (Identify Material)	Tally (### I = 6)



<b>Plastic Materials</b>	<b>Tally (### I= 6)</b>
01. bags: grocery/retail (plastic)	
02. bags: trash (plastic)	
03. bait containers/packaging	
04. balloons	
05. balls	
06. baskets, crates	
07. beverage bottles: less than 2 litres (plastic)	
08. beverage bottles: 2 litres or more (plastic)	
09. bottles: bleach, cleaner	
10. bottles: oil/lube	
11. buckets, drums & jerry cans: 2 litres or more	
12. buoys & floats (plastic & foamed)	
13. caps & lids (plastic)	
14. carpet (synthetic)	
15. cigarette filters	
16. cigarette lighters	
17. cigar tips	
18. containers: fast food, lunch boxes & similar	
19. cotton bud sticks	
20. cups, plates, forks, knives, spoons (plastic)	
21. diapers/nappies	
22. fishing: line	
23. fishing: lures, rods/poles	
24. fishing: nets & pieces of nets	
25. fishing: traps & pots	
26. foam insulation & packaging	
27. food wrappers (plastic)	
28. furnishings (plastic)	
29. gloves (latex)	
30. light sticks/cyalumes	
31. mesh bags: fruit, vegetable, shellfish	
32. pipes (plastic/PVC)	
33. rope (plastic/nylon)	
34. scuba & snorkel gear, masks, snorkels, fins	
35. sheeting: tarpaulin, plastic sheets, palette wrap	
36. six-pack rings, ring carriers	
37. strapping bands (plastic)	
38. straws, stirrers	
39. syringes (plastic)	
40. tampon applicators	
41. tobacco packaging & wrappers	
42. toothbrushes	
43. plastic fragments	
<b>Glass &amp; Ceramic Materials</b>	
44. beverage bottles (glass)	
45. buoys (glass)	
46. cups, plates, tableware, dishes (glass & ceramic)	
47. fluorescent light tubes	
48. jars: food (glass)	
49. light globes: bulbs, etc	
50. syringes (glass)	
51. glass & ceramic fragments	

<b>Metal Materials</b>	<b>Tally (### I = 6)</b>
52. aerosol/spray cans	
53. appliances: household	
54. batteries: AA, AAA, C & D, 6V, 9V, etc	
55. batteries: car or boat	
56. beverage cans (aluminium)	
57. cans: food, juice, other (tin)	
58. caps & lids (metal)	
59. cars & car parts	
60. cups, plates, tableware, dishes (metal)	
61. drums: 55 gallon	
62. fishing: sinkers, lures, hooks	
63. fishing: traps & pots	
64. forks, knives, spoons (cutlery)	
65. gas bottles/cylinder, drums: more than 4 litres	
66. pipes & rebar	
67. pull tabs: beverages	
68. scuba weights	
69. strapping bands (metal)	
70. wire, wire mesh, barbed wire	
71. wrappers (foil/metal)	
72. metal fragments	
<b>Rubber Materials</b>	
73. condoms	
74. gloves (rubber)	
75. inner-tubes & rubber sheets	
76. rubber bands	
77. tires/tyres	
78. rubber fragments	
<b>Wood Materials</b>	
79. fishing: traps & pots	
80. furnishings (wood)	
81. lumber (processed or cut/milled wood)	
82. pallets	
83. wood fragments	
<b>Cloth Materials</b>	
84. bags (burlap/hessian)	
85. bags (cloth)	
86. gloves (cloth)	
87. rope & string (cloth)	
88. towels, rags	
89. cloth fragments	
<b>Paper/Cardboard Materials</b>	
90. bags (paper)	
91. cardboard: packaging & cartons	
92. paper: books, newspapers, magazines, etc	
93. paper/cardboard fragments	
<b>Mixed Materials</b>	
94. bricks, cinderblocks, chunks of cement	
95. clothing	
96. computer equipment & other electronic devices	
97. fireworks	
98. shoes, flip flops, sandals, tennis, etc	
99. tampons	
100. toys	

Having trouble identifying a debris item?  
Refer to the **Dive Against Debris® Marine Debris Identification Guide**  
for images of all debris items.