

PACIFIC ISLANDS REGION – STRANDINGS OF OCEANIA PROJECT

WHALE, DOLPHIN & DUGONG – STRANDING / ACCIDENT / DEATH REPORT

Take a photo of this completed form and send, along with other photos, to Karen Baird at SPREP, karenb@sprep.org or submit data and photos on flukebook.org. See the SPREP website for more info. ***required field**

Record Identification #:	Examination date:
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*Your name/s and affiliation:	*Contact email:	*Date animal initially found/reported:	Time animal found/reported:

LOCATION INFORMATION		
*Description (village/district/island):		
*Country:	Latitude:	Longitude:

EVENT INFORMATION				
Pre-stranding/beaching behaviour:				
*Event type:	Beachcast (dead)	Live stranding	Floating at sea	Other:
*Number of animals:	Individual	Mother/calf pair	Mass stranding	
Condition of animal/s (circle option and provide numbers if more than one animal):				
Alive	Freshly dead	Moderate decomposition	Advanced decomposition	Mummified/skeleton
*Response (circle all that apply):				
Refloat (successful)	Refloat (unsuccessful)	Refloat (partially successful – indicate numbers)	No. survived: No. died:	Other:
Post mortem	Burial	Left to decay naturally	Disposal at sea	Other:

ANIMAL INFORMATION				
*Species (if unsure, describe):				
Sex:	Male	Female	Unknown	
Age class:	Adult	Juvenile	Calf	Unknown
*Total length (cm):		<i>Additional measurements are available over the page.</i>		
*Photos:	Yes	No	Photographer name and email:	
Photos are very important, focus on:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li style="display: inline-block; width: 45%;">• The complete scene <li style="display: inline-block; width: 45%;">• Head region including the mouth/teeth <li style="display: inline-block; width: 45%;">• Lateral (side on) body of the animal <li style="display: inline-block; width: 45%;">• Genital (ventral/under side) <li style="display: inline-block; width: 45%;">• Dorsal fin, flipper, fluke <li style="display: inline-block; width: 45%;">• Scars and marks on the body – wounds, lesions, parasites etc 				
Samples taken?	Yes	No	Describe:	

Additional information (circumstances, injuries, scars, indications of cause of death, post mortem results etc):

Additional information (more space if required):

	Measurements - optional (take measurements in a straight line, not around the curve of the body – see guidance below)	Length (cm)	Notes
1.	*Total length (from tip of UPPER jaw to deepest part of fluke notch)		
2.	Tip of upper jaw to tip of dorsal fin		
3.	Tip of upper jaw to anus		
4.	Tip of upper jaw to genital slit		
5.	Tip of upper jaw to front (forward insertion) of flipper		
6.	Tip of upper jaw to blowhole		
7.	Length of flipper (external)		
8.	Greatest width of flipper		
9.	Greatest width of tail flukes (if undamaged)		
10.	Length of rostrum (beak)		
11.	Length of gape (tip of lower jaw to corner of mouth)		
12.	*Height of dorsal fin		
13.	Axillary girth (immediately behind flippers, around body)		
14.	Length of genital slit		

