

## Appendix VIII

**LIMITS.XLS** - Excel spreadsheet to calculate user-specified, log-based confidence limits.

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This Excel spreadsheet can be used to adjust confidence limits. Input values are taken from output tables generated by the program DISTANCE (Laake et al. 1996). The user can specify the coverage of the confidence intervals. See Buckland et al. (1993:88-89) for more background on log-based confidence limits.

An example LIMITS analysis is shown below. Users enter the desired level of coverage and specific results from DISTANCE. Notes to the right identify where to find the input values from the DISTANCE output.

USER SUPPLIED INPUT		
Estimate=	9932	← from Density Estimation Results table
Std Error=	1635.7	← from Density Estimation Results table
df=	26	← from Estimation Summary:Density/Abundance table
Confidence Level=	0.85	← user specified (e.g., 0.95, 0.9, 0.8)
RESULTS		
Lower Limit =	7792.015	→ from LIMITS
Upper Limit =	12659.71	→ from LIMITS