

SEA TURTLE STRANDING AND SALVAGE NETWORK – STRANDING REPORT

OBSERVER'S NAME / ADDRESS / PHONE:

First _____ M.I. _____ Last _____

Affiliation _____

Address _____

Area code/Phone number _____

STRANDING DATE:

Year 20____ Month ____ Day ____

Turtle number by day ____

State coordinator must be notified within 24 hrs;
this was done by ☐ phone (561)575-5407
☐ email ☐ fax (561)743-6228

SPECIES: (check one)

- ☐ CC = Loggerhead
☐ CM = Green
☐ DC = Leatherback
☐ EI = Hawksbill
☐ LK = Kemp's ridley
☐ LO = Olive ridley
☐ UN = Unidentified

Check Unidentified if not positive. Do Not Guess.

Photos taken? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Species verified by state coordinator? ☐ Yes ☐ No

SEX: (check one)

- ☐ Immature, undetermined
☐ Female ☐ Male

How was sex determined?

- ☐ Necropsy
☐ Tail length (adult only)

Length of tail beyond carapace _____

STRANDING LOCATION:

☐ Offshore (Atlantic or Gulf beach) ☐ Inshore (bay, river, sound, inlet, etc)

State _____ County _____

Descriptive location (be specific) _____

Latitude _____ Longitude _____

CONDITION: (check one)

- ☐ 0 = Alive
☐ 1 = Fresh dead
☐ 2 = Moderately decomposed
☐ 3 = Severely decomposed
☐ 4 = Dried carcass
☐ 5 = Skeleton, bones only

FINAL DISPOSITION: (check one)

☐ 1 = Left on beach where found; painted? ☐ Yes* ☐ No(5)

☐ 2 = Buried: ☐ on beach / ☐ off beach;
carcass painted before buried? ☐ Yes* ☐ No

☐ 3 = Salvaged: ☐ all / ☐ part(s), what/why? _____

☐ 4 = Pulled up on beach/dune; painted? ☐ Yes* ☐ No

☐ 6 = Alive, released

☐ 7 = Alive, taken to rehab. facility, where? _____

☐ 8 = Left floating, not recovered; painted? ☐ Yes* ☐ No

☐ 9 = Disposition unknown, explain _____

*If painted, what color? _____

TAGS: Contact state coordinator before disposing of any tagged animal!!

Flipper tags present? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Check all 4 flippers. If found, record tag number(s) / tag location / return address

PIT tag scan? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If found, record number / tag location

Coded wire tag scan? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If positive response, record location (flipper)

Checked for living tag? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If found, record location (scute number & side)

CARAPACE MEASUREMENTS: (see drawing)

Using calipers

Circle unit

Straight length (NOTCH-TIP) _____

Minimum length (NOTCH-NOTCH) _____

Straight width (Widest Point) _____

Using non-metal measuring tape

Circle unit

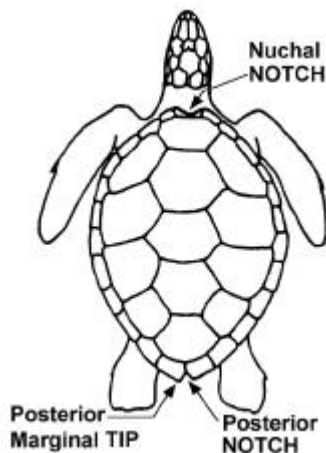
Curved length (NOTCH-TIP) _____

Minimum length (NOTCH-NOTCH) _____

Curved width (Widest Point) _____

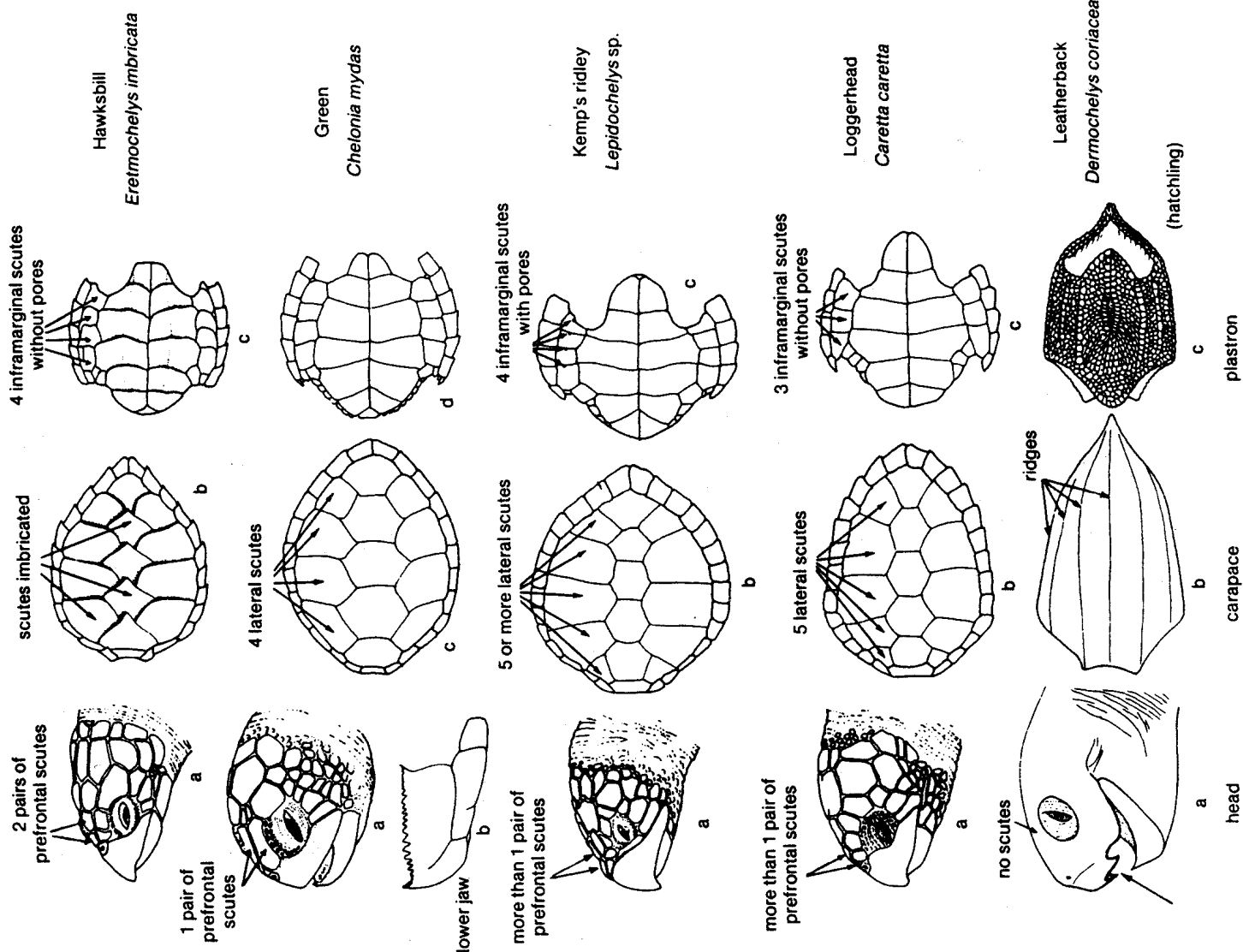
Circle unit

Weight ☐ actual / ☐ est. _____



Mark wounds / abnormalities on diagrams at left and describe below (note tar or oil, gear or debris entanglement, propeller damage, epibiota, papillomas, emaciation, etc.). **Please note if no wounds / abnormalities are found.**

PICTURE GUIDE TO SPECIES OCCURRING IN THE AREA



PLEASE FAX TO (561)743-6228, THEN PLEASE USE AN ENVELOPE AND MAIL ORIGINAL FORM TO:

FLORIDA STSSN COORDINATOR
FLORIDA FISH & WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
FLORIDA MARINE RESEARCH INSTITUTE
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