

Bitemap_Seine_Field-Datasheet.xlsx

This datasheet is to record fish seine data in the field for the Ocean Bitemap project in accordance with Ocean Bitemap protocols. Transfer all data hand collected to the Bitemap Seine Spreadsheet and submit to: MarineGEO@si.edu . For a complete listing of protocols and details on the Ocean Bitemap project, go to <http://bitemap.wordpress.com>

Column in data spreadsheet (*required for every row)	Explanation
Site Name*	Name of your site
Latitude (decimal)*	latitude of site in decimal format (ex: 48.12345)
Longitude (decimal)*	longitude of site in decimal format (ex: -101.12345)
Seagrass/Unvegetated*	circle one to indicate which type of habitat you are working in
Date (yyyymmdd)*	Date of seine haul in yyyymmdd format
Time (24hr, hhmm)*	Time seine begun in hhmm 24 hour clock format
Distance Of Haul (m)*	Distance measured from beginning of seine pull to shore (or total distance the net was pulled)
Depth (m)*	Depth at which the haul was begun (should be 1m)
Data Collector*	Name of data collector(s)
Contact Email*	Email of data collector/primary contact
List of Participants*	All people involved in field work, first and last names.
Genus species*	Species of fish/other organisms larger than 10cm (check all names against the WoRMS database! http://www.marinespecies.org/)
L1-L25*	Length of fish in mm for first 25 individuals of a species collected
Abundance	Number of individuals of a single species collected in excess of 25 (column only used when more than 25 individuals of a single species are collected in a single haul)
Notes	Any additional notes. If genus and species of fish are unknown, it should be recorded here, and identified to lowest taxonomic resolution possible.
ADDITIONAL NOTES:	Print this datasheet on waterproof paper if possible. It is recommended that a picture be taken of the datasheet after it is completed (with a camera or phone) in case the datasheet becomes lost. Always use a fresh data sheet for each haul, do not reuse a single field data sheet for multiple seines.

