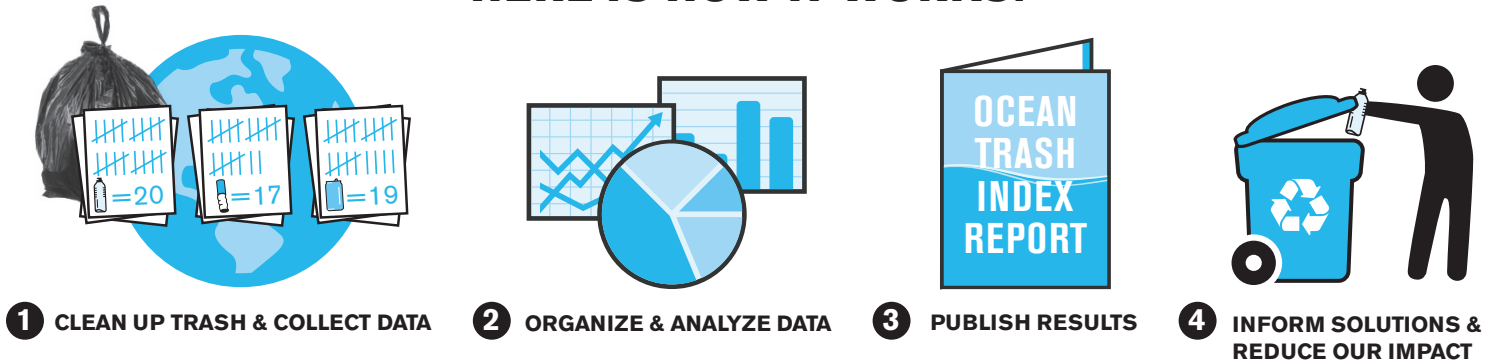


# VOLUNTEER OCEAN TRASH DATA FORM



Ocean and waterway trash ranks as one of the most serious pollution problems choking our planet. Far more than an eyesore, a rising tide of marine debris threatens human health, wildlife, communities and economies around the world. The ocean faces many challenges, but trash should not be one of them. Ocean trash is entirely preventable, and data you collect are part of the solution. The International Coastal Cleanup is the world's largest volunteer effort on behalf of ocean and waterway health.

## HERE IS HOW IT WORKS:



**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

### CLEANUP SITE DESCRIPTION

**Type of Environment (choose one):**

- Saltwater (Ocean/Bay/Estuary)
- Freshwater (River/Stream/Lake)
- Inland (No Water Body Present)

**Mode of Data Collection (choose one):**

- Land (beach, shoreline or inland)
- Underwater
- Watercraft (powerboat, sailboat, kayak or canoe)

**SITE INFORMATION:**

Cleanup Site Name:

State or Province:  Zone or County:

Country:  Nearest Crossroad or Landmark:

**NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS WORKING ON THIS CARD:**

adults	children (under 12)
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**MOST UNUSUAL ITEM COLLECTED:**

**DATE OF CLEANUP:**

**GO PAPERLESS!**

Collect and record your data on **Clean Swell!**

Download the free app on your mobile device.



**Please return this form to your area coordinator.**  
If you are unable to do so, please mail or email it to:

Ocean Conservancy  
Attn: International Coastal Cleanup  
1300 19th Street, NW, 8th Floor, Washington, DC 20036  
cleanup@oceanconservancy.org

**Trash Free Seas:** [www.oceanconservancy.org/cleanup](http://www.oceanconservancy.org/cleanup)  
**Be a Green Boater:** [www.oceanconservancy.org/goodmate](http://www.oceanconservancy.org/goodmate)  
**Sponsors:** [www.oceanconservancy.org/cleanupsponsors](http://www.oceanconservancy.org/cleanupsponsors)  
**Clean Swell:** [www.oceanconservancy.org/cleanswell](http://www.oceanconservancy.org/cleanswell)



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# TRASH COLLECTED

**Citizen scientist:** Pick up all trash and record all items you find below. No matter how small the items, the data you collect are important for Trash Free Seas.®

**EXAMPLE:**

Plastic Bags:

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TOTAL #

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= 8

Please DO NOT use words or check marks. Only **numbers** are useful data.

**MOST LIKELY TO FIND ITEMS:**

Grocery bags (plastic): =  
 Other bags (plastic): =  
 Beverage bottles (glass): =  
 Beverage bottles (plastic): =  
 Beverage cans: =  
 Beverage sachets/pouches: =  
 Bottle caps (metal): =  
 Bottle caps (plastic): =  
 Cigarette butts: =

Cups, plates (foam): =  
 Cups, plates (paper): =  
 Cups, plates (plastic): =  
 Food containers (foam): =  
 Food containers (plastic): =  
 Food wrappers (candy, chips, etc.): =  
 Lids (plastic): =  
 Straws/stirrers (plastic): =  
 Utensils (plastic): =

**FISHING & BOATING:**

Line, nets, traps, rope, etc.: =  
 Foam dock pieces: =

**ILLEGAL DUMPING:**

Appliances: =  
 Construction materials: =  
 Tires: =

**PACKAGING MATERIAL:**

6-pack holders: =  
 Foam packaging: =  
 Other plastic bottles (oil, bleach, etc.): =  
 Strapping bands: =

**OTHER ITEMS/DEBRIS:**

Balloons: =  
 Clothing: =  
 E-cigarettes: =  
 Electronic waste (phones, batteries): =  
 Footwear (shoes/slippers): =  
 Paper bags: =  
 Tobacco products (lighters, cigar tips, wrap): =  
 Toys: =  
 Other plastic waste: =  
 Other waste (metal, paper, etc.): =

**PERSONAL HYGIENE:**

Condoms: =  
 Cotton bud sticks (swabs): =  
 Diapers: =  
 Gloves & masks (PPE): =  
 Syringes: =  
 Tampons & applicators: =

**OTHER ITEMS NOT LISTED:**

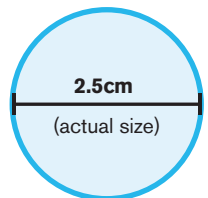
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 3. =  
 4. =  
 5. =

**TINY TRASH LESS THAN 2.5CM**

Plastic/foam pieces: =

**DEAD/INJURED ANIMAL**

Type of animal: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Status: dead/injured    Entangled: yes/no  
 Type of entanglement item: \_\_\_\_\_



**CLEANUP SUMMARY (circle units)**

Number of Trash Bags Filled:     Weight of Trash Collected:  lbs/kgs    Distance Cleaned:  miles/km    Area Cleaned:  miles<sup>2</sup>/km<sup>2</sup>