

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

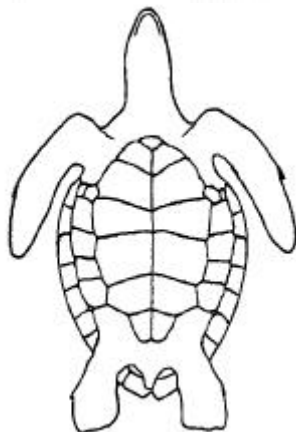
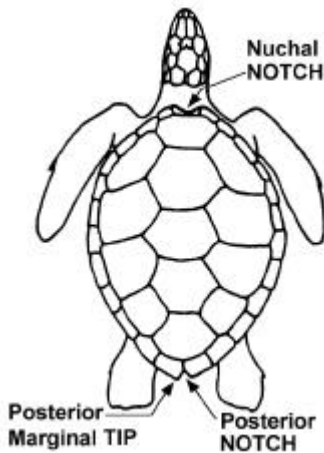
Curved length (NOTCH-TIP) _____

Minimum length (NOTCH-NOTCH) _____

Curved width (Widest Point) _____

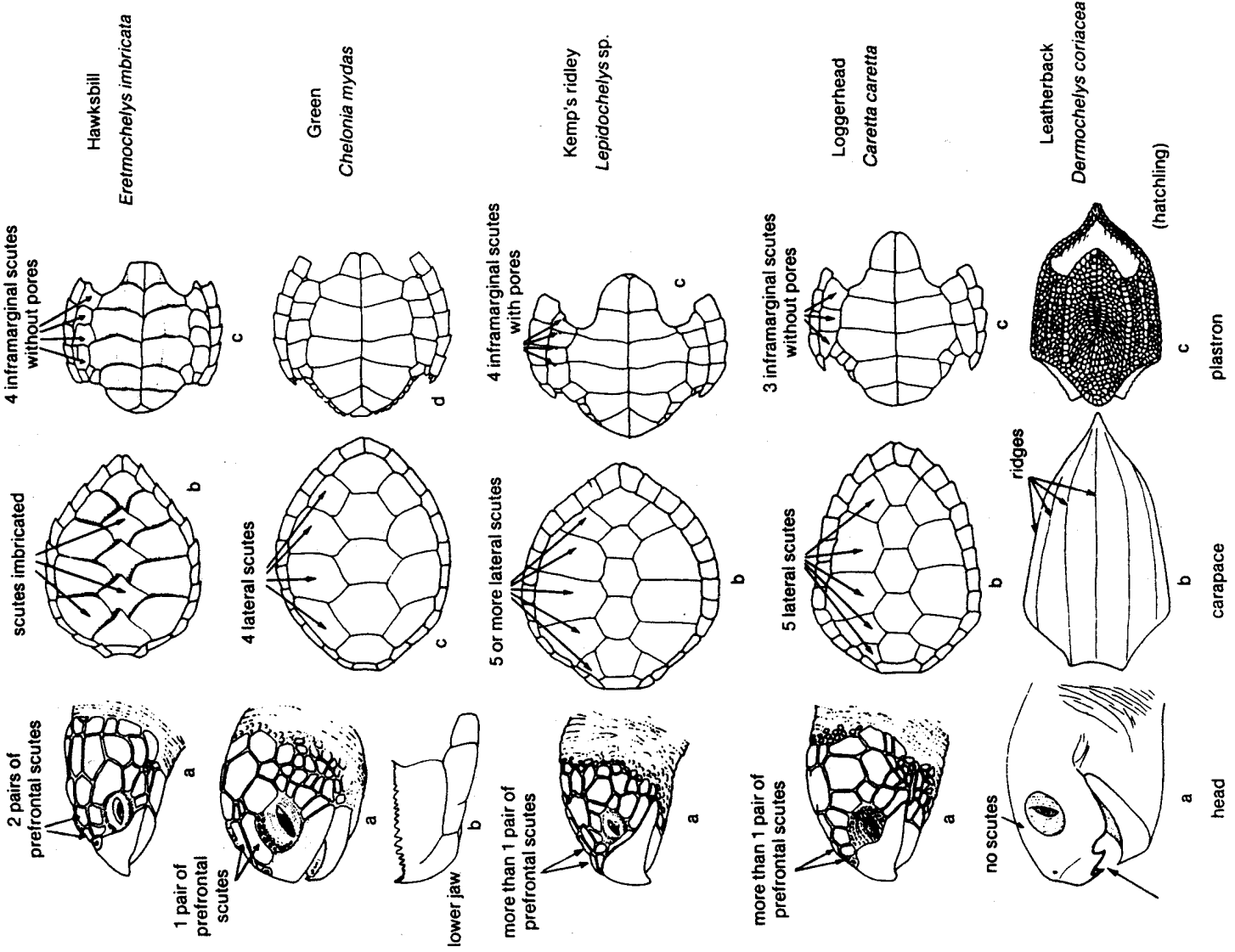
Circle unit

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
 19100 SE FEDERAL HIGHWAY
 TEQUESTA, FL 33469