

DATASHEET



Observer name:

Date: Time:

Site name:

Number of participants:

The exact location can be selected using an online map when uploading your results. Alternatively, record the site coordinates below:

Latitude (optional) Longitude (optional)



Please take a photo to go with your data.

Ecological

Freshwater body type

Pond Stream Lake River Wetland Other:

What is the land use in the immediate surroundings?

Urban residential Industrial Urban park Agriculture Forest Grassland/shrub
 Other:

What is the bank vegetation? (Select all that apply)

Trees/shrubs Grass No vegetation cover Other:

Is there any of the following on the water surface? (Select all that apply)



None Foam Floating algae Litter Oily sheen

Are there any pollution sources in the immediate surroundings? (Select all that apply)

Industrial discharge Residential discharge Urban/road discharge
 Other:

Can you see evidence of the following water uses? (Select all that apply)

- Fishing Swimming Boating Irrigation Public water supply

Other:

What aquatic life is there evidence of? (Select all that apply)

- Plants below the surface Plants emerging from the water Floating plants Fish Frogs/toads

Aquatic birds None Other:

Is the algae... (Select all that apply)



- No algae Evenly dispersed Floating mats Attached Blue-green scum

Hydrological

Estimate the water flow: Surging Steady Slow Still

Estimate the water level: High Average Low

Chemical - Nutrients in parts per million (ppm)

Nitrate: < 0.2 0.2-0.5 0.5-1 1-2 2-5 5-10 >10

Phosphate: < 0.02 0.02-0.05 0.05-0.1 0.1-0.2 0.2-0.5 0.5-1 >1

Optical

Water quality – Secchi Tube (Turbidity): NTU (result will be between <14 and >240)

Estimate the water colour: Colourless Yellow Brown Green Other:

Notes:

Thank you. Please log in to the FreshWater Watch website to upload your results.