


**Location:**..... **Date:**..... **Observer(s):**.....

**Time vessel watch started**..... **Time vessel watch ended**..... *(please aim to do a vessel watch for at least 30 minutes. Ideally, longer watches (e.g. 2 hr +) would be fantastic)*

**Visibility** ..... **Sea State**..... **Estimate of number of creel markers (e.g. buoys) visible from Shorewatch site** ..... **creel markers** 

Dedicated vessel watches are designed to be completed alongside (i.e. at the same time) as a Shorewatch. For example, you can arrive at your Shorewatch site and if you're planning to spend a few hours there, then you can start your vessel watch, briefly note the vessels you see at the start, and then move on and do your dedicated Shorewatch, before returning to your vessel watch. You can also do a dedicated vessel watch, without completing a Shorewatch, but we encourage you to do both if possible. The information you are helping us to collect on vessel activity, and number of creels, is important to help us gain an understanding of pressures around the Scottish coastline. For more information on how this data will contribute to the [Scottish Vessel Project](http://Scottish Vessel Project), email Emily [elh2001@hw.ac.uk](mailto:elh2001@hw.ac.uk)

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