Carcass Collection Form Use one form for each batch of carcasses	**Incident Name:**	**Today's Date** (mm/dd/yyyy):	**INV** (OLE Use Only):

ICS Position (*Group, Task Force, Strike Team, or other name if no ICS Position assigned*): | **Carcass Collector** *Name & Employer (Phone & Email, if no ICS Position assigned)*:

Data Recorder *Name & Employer (Phone & Email, if no ICS position)*: | Have carcass collection **permits & authorizations** been obtained? YES ☐ *If not, Do Not Collect Carcasses*

Camera & SD Card ID #: | **GPS & SD Card ID #:** | **GPS Datum:** (WGS84 preferred) ☐ NAD83 ☐ NAD27 ☐ Other: _____

General Location or Shoreline Segment: | *If applicable, fill out Shoreline Search Information on reverse.*

INDIVIDUAL CARCASS LOG

Carcass ID #	Latitude (decimal degrees)	Longitude (decimal degrees)	Species	Condition FRESH, DEG, MUM	Oiling NO, LT, MOD, HV, UNK	Photo #	Comments
01							
02							
03							
04							
05							
06							
07							
08							
09							
10							

For this batch, record white **Carcass Chain of Custody Tag** pre-printed **Batch Tag No.**: _____ and **Total number of carcasses**: _____
Fold completed form and put inside a resealable waterproof storage bag (e.g., Ziploc®), then place inside the large plastic carcass batch bag.

INSTRUCTIONS: Carcass Collection Form (or follow incident-specific protocols if available)

Incident Name and Date: Fill out.	**ICS Position:** ICS position of Carcass Collection Team, if applicable. Record other identifier if no ICS position.	**Carcass Collector:** Record information *for* designated Carcass Collector, who serves as Collection Team Leader.
Data Recorder: Record information *for* the person filling out this form.	**Permits and Authorizations**: Ask your supervisor. If permits have not been obtained, you are not authorized to collect carcasses, although you can take photos and document their location.	
Camera/GPS & SD Card IDs: Write ID numbers of assigned camera and GPS unit and the SD (memory cards). **PERSONAL PHONE OR CAMERA USE IS NOT RECOMMENDED**.	**GPS Datum:** Check one (found in GPS settings). WGS84 is preferred.	
Location: Name of general location as shown on navigational charts or maps, and (if applicable) name or number of assigned shoreline segment.		
Carcass ID #: When filling out yellow Individual Carcass ID Tag, this is the number (1-10) to record for "Carcass ID #".	**Latitude and Longitude:** Decimal Degrees preferred. Regardless of format, include any decimals or symbols for degrees/minutes/seconds. If no GPS unit is available, describe the location where carcass was found.	**Species:** Record the species as precisely as you can. For example, you might ID a gull as "mew gull" (to species), or as "unidentified gull" or "bird."
Condition: **'FRESH'** = freshly dead. Eyeballs are plump and intact, body is whole with no evidence of insect/crustacean intrusion or other scavenging. **'DEG'** = degraded body condition, with one or more of the following: eyeballs sunken or gone; body decomposing or being eaten by insects/crustaceans/other animals; exposed flesh does not appear completely dried out; or some body parts are missing. **'MUM'** = mummified. Only skin, bones, or feathers remain, or exposed flesh appears completely dried out.	**Oiling:** **NO** = no obvious oil on body. **LT** = light spots of oil. **MOD** = patches over more of the body than LT. **HV** = heavily oiled, over most of the body. **UNK** = unknown.	
Photo #: Digital photo # from SD card, or # written on whiteboard and photographed with carcass. A large number of similar carcasses can be photographed as a group.	**Comments:** Please note any additional information that you think might be useful.	
Carcass Chain of Custody (CoC) **Batch Tag No:** Write pre-printed Batch Tag No. from white Carcass CoC Tag, & total number of carcasses for this batch (1-10).		

SHORELINE SEARCH INFORMATION (complete this section only if following protocol for SHORELINE SEARCHES)

Date:	**Location and Shoreline Segment:**	**Carcass Collector Name:**

Start / Stop Times: /   **Start / Stop GPS Coordinates (decimal degrees):**   /

Wind is Toward: Water ☐   Land ☐   Along Beach ☐   No wind ☐   **Search Platform:** Walking ☐   Boat ☐   Vehicle ☐   Aircraft ☐   Other ☐

Dominant Shoreline Type: Sand ☐   Pebble ☐   Cobble ☐   Boulder ☐   Bedrock ☐   Vertical Cliff ☐   Marsh ☐   Sand/Mud Flat ☐   Other ☐

Beach Width Searched (feet): _____   Search Path: Single Path ☐   Out-and-back ☐

Comments: