

COMPILER'S name and address:

**AFRICAN WATERFOWL  
CENSUS**

**SITE DESCRIPTION  
FORM**



DATE:

COUNTRY:

NAME OF SITE:

PROVINCE/STATE:  
NEAREST LARGE TOWN:

SITE CODE:

ALTITUDE, in metres:

AREA, in hectares:

GEOGRAPHICAL COORDINATES:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE:

WETLAND TYPE, please circle the appropriate Ramsar codes for wetland types, then rank in order of dominance:

Marine/Coastal wetlands			Inland wetlands		
code	rank		code	rank	
A	___	Shallow marine waters	L	___	Inland deltas
B	___	Subtidal aquatic beds	M	___	Permanent rivers/streams/creeks
C	___	Coral reefs	N	___	Seasonal/intermittent/irregular rivers/streams/creeks
D	___	Rocky marine shores	O	___	Permanent freshwater lakes
E	___	Sand, shingle or pebble shores	P	___	Seasonal/intermittent freshwater lakes
F	___	Estuarine waters	Q	___	Permanent saline/brackish/alkaline lakes
G	___	Intertidal mud, sand or salt flats	R *	___	Seasonal/intermittent saline/brackish/alkaline lakes
H	___	Salt marshes	Sp	___	Permanent saline/brackish/alkaline marshes/pools
I	___	Intertidal forested wetlands	Ss *	___	Seasonal/intermittent saline/brackish/alkaline marshes/ pools
J	___	Coastal brackish/saline lagoons	Tf	___	Floodplains (please mention floodplain type under *)
K	___	Coastal freshwater lagoons	Tp	___	Permanent freshwater marshes/pools
			Ts *	___	Seasonal/intermittent freshwater marshes/pools Dambos/vleis
Artificial wetlands			U	___	Peatlands (non-forested)
1	___	Aquaculture ponds	Va	___	Highlands wetlands
2	___	Ponds	W *	___	Shrub-dominated wetlands
3	___	Irrigated land	Xf *	___	Freshwater, tree-dominated wetlands
4	___	Seasonally flooded agricultural land	Xp *	___	Forested peatlands
5	___	Salt exploitation sites	Y	___	Freshwater springs; oases
6	___	Water storage areas	Zg	___	Geothermal wetlands
7	___	Excavations			
8	___	Wastewater treatment areas	*		includes certain floodplain wetlands
9	___	Canals and channels			

PHYSICAL FEATURES (e.g. geology, soil type, climate):

HYDROLOGICAL VALUES (groundwater, surface water, flood control etc.):

ECOLOGICAL FEATURES (main habitats, noteworthy flora and fauna):

CURRENT (WET)LAND USE (tenure, ownership, site and surroundings):

FACTORS (past, present or potential) ADVERSELY AFFECTING THE SITE'S ECOLOGICAL CHARACTER:

<b>CONSERVATION MEASURES</b> (e.g. legal status of protection, management practices):
<b>CURRENT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH</b> (details of projects, existence of field station, etc)
<b>CURRENT CONSERVATION EDUCATION</b> (visitor centre, hides, information etc):
<b>CURRENT RECREATION AND TOURISM</b> (e.g. type and frequency of tourism/recreation):
<b>MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY</b> (name and address of organisation responsible for management of the wetland. Are local communities involved in wetland management, if so, how?):
<b>BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES</b> (scientific/technical only):
<b>OUTLINE MAP OF THE SITE</b> , with important geographical features, scale and indicate North. Please attach any other additional maps.

Please return this form to your National Coordinator or Wetlands International