PLEASE COMPLETE AS MUCH AS IS RELEVANT FOR YOUR SIGHTING

AND SEND TO Jim Dickson : 11 Pipers Road, Cairnbaan, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8UF (Tel. 01546 603967) or e-mail: meg@jdickson5.plus.com

**Species:**

Number of birds:

Age:

Sex:

**Place:**

**Recording Area:**

**Dates of your observations:**

Times:

**Total duration of your observations:**

Other sightings/dates known to you:

**Observer(s)**

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

E-mail:

Years of birdwatching experience:

Other observers:

Who found it?

Who identified it?

Who else is reporting it?

Any who disagree?

**Observation**

What optical aids were used?

Distance from bird:

Species present for comparison (alongside and nearby):

Previous experience of the species:

Experience of similar species:

**Photographs**

Was the bird photographed? Yes/No

Photographer:

Address:

Is a photograph being submitted with this description? Yes/No

**Dead bird**

Is the bird preserved? Yes/No

Where?

**Ringing**

Was the bird trapped? Yes/No

Date ringed:

Ringer:

Ring number:

**Weather**

Wind direction and force:

Cloud cover:

Light conditions:

Angle of sun to observer:

Visibility:

Rain?

**Description**

First describe the circumstances of the observation. Then give a detailed description of the bird(s), preferably based on notes taken at the time of the observation, before reference to books. Attach original field notes, or photocopies, whenever possible.

And finally, is this record 100% certain? Yes/No