

OCEAN INITIATIVES

REPORT SHEET - SIMPLIFIED VERSION



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The Ocean Initiatives make it possible to raise awareness about the problem of marine litter among over 80,000 people across Europe. This is also an opportunity to collect data which allow us to better understand the marine litter pollution. You are best placed to tell us about the state of your beach/lake/river/seabed; we therefore need you to carry out our research program!

In 2019, 27,054 members of the public got involved in citizen science and enabled us not only to assess the current state of marine litter along Europe's coastlines but also to collect information about plastic drinks bottles, the 'star item' of the last 2 years of Ocean Initiatives.

The on-the-ground data that you share with Surfrider enable us to sustain our lobbying activities with European and national bodies. We were thereby able to take part in the discussions which resulted in the adoption by European institutions of a single-use plastics directive in June 2019. This text aims to reduce plastic at source and reduce our consumption of around ten single-use plastic products, which all too often end up in the environment and sea, thanks to several types of regulatory measures including a ban on certain items. These 10 plastic products were not chosen at random. They are the 10 single-use plastic products most often found along Europe's coastlines, and it is largely your involvement in the Ocean Initiatives that has made this possible.



Our work doesn't stop there, we need to continue our mobilisation to ensure that the measures taken will result in a real reduction of the plastic waste threatening the marine environment and to do that, we need to continue to monitor pollution and notably the 10 types of waste targeted by legislation. So we are asking you to keep your eyes peeled during your clean-ups to enable us to collect data on these single-use plastics, which do not belong in our environment.

Fill in this report sheet and help us to tackle the scourge of marine waste!

Don't forget to transfer the findings on the online version of the report sheet (My account, my collection (click on the collection) and fill in/edit the report sheet) or scan the document and send it to oceaninitiatives@surfrider.eu if you don't have access to your account.



Last name:

First name:

Mail:

INFORMATION ON THE OPERATION

Date: / /

Type of collection:

- On foot
- Diving
- On-board
- Other, specify:

Number of participants:

Number of schoolchildren:

Length of the beach / bank / watercourse observed:

- 100-200 m
- 200-500 m
- 500-1000 m
- + 1000 m, specify:

FOCUS ON CIGARETTE BUTTS

How many plastic cigarette butts did you find during your operation:

cigarette butts

You can leave us additional information about the activity by filling in the part below (presence of a high number of litter, unusual garbage, ect.):

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