

HERTS & MIDDX BUTTERFLY MAPPING RECORD SHEET: INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Name, Email, Phone, Address: Enter these at the top of every sheet you use

Year: Enter this at the top right of every sheet. Do not put records for more than one year on the same sheet.

O.S. Map ref: Write this in the left space above each column. This should preferably be a 6-figure reference as shown in the examples (right) for the centre of the area you examine. Otherwise at least a 4-figure reference (1 km square). If you stray into an adjoining 1 km square, record this area in a new column

Site name, description etc.: Write in this space above each column. It should include the nearest town or village, plus any local name or description if needed. You may also enter a code number describing the habitat (see table below).

Date This should be the day followed by the month.

Start time, End time: Enter the time you start recording and finish recording butterflies, to the nearest minute or so.

Weather: Enter Poor, Moderate or Ideal. If the weather is too cold (temperature below about 13°) and/or too windy (trees in leaf beginning to sway) and/or cloudy, enter poor. If the weather is fairly warm (about 13° to 17°), half sunny and/or with only a light breeze, enter moderate. If the weather is hot (above 17°), with almost continuous sunshine and not much wind, enter ideal.

Butterflies seen: Write in the numbers of each butterfly species you see. If there are large numbers, try and count all the butterflies that come within about 5 metres as you wander around.

Habitat codes:

Freshwater edges:	2	Crops:	82
Heath / Scrub:	31	Orchards / tree plantations / planted forests:	83
Chalk downland:	34	Tree lines / hedges:	84
Meadow (unimproved):	38	Parks / gardens / churchyards:	85
Deciduous woodland:	41	Urban / industrial areas:	86
Mixed woodland:	43	Fallow / waste land:	87
Bog / calcareous fen:	54	Quarries, Gravel, Chalk pits:	89
Fertilized / improved grassland:	81	Road / rail verges (A=active, D=disused):	90

Return forms to: Andrew Wood, 93 Bengeo Street, HERTFORD, Herts, SG14 3EZ (Tel 01992 503571) by **10th November at the latest**. Any late November or December sightings should be sent or 'phoned through before the end of the year. If you accumulate large numbers of records, please send these off every 2 months or so, as this helps spread the workload of entering records on to the database.

Name: R T Fishall		Email, phone	
O.S. grid reference	Site name, description etc.	SP 998 088 BERKHAMSTED SE pt of common (38)	TL 161 151 MARSHALLS HEATH Back garden (85)
Date:	19-May	24-Jun	
Start time:	11:20	14:02	
End time:	11:39	14:13	
Weather:	Ideal	Moderate	
Small/Essex Skipper			
Small Skipper			
Essex Skipper			
Large Skipper			
Brimstone			
Large White			
Small/Green-vnd White	5	1	
Small White	2	1	
Green-veined White	1		
Orange Tip	1		
Purple Hairstreak			
White-letter Hairstreak			
Small Copper			
Brown Argus			
Common Blue	3		
Holly Blue	1		
Red Admiral			
Painted Lady			
Small Tortoiseshell		5	
Peacock			
Comma			
Speckled Wood	4	2	
Wall			
Marbled White			
Gatekeeper			
Meadow Brown			
Small Heath	1		
Ringlet			
<i>Other:</i>			
	Dingy Skipper	2	