



# Pond Check

## Recording Form



Please complete the Pond Check recording form so that we can offer advice on how to manage your invasive pond plants and improve its wildlife potential.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY** – Carrying out any biological recording is done at your own risk. If you need information on reducing risks visit Health & Safety Executive website [www.hse.gov.uk](http://www.hse.gov.uk)

**NEVER TRESPASS!** – Always ask permission from the landowner before going on to private land to survey a pond.

### ABOUT YOU

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### ABOUT YOUR POND

Date of Observation \_\_\_\_\_

Are you enclosing photographs of the pond and/or the plants you are concerned about?

Yes  No

Grid Reference (six figured grid ref for centre of pond) \_\_\_\_\_

If you need help in using grid references visit [www.erccis.co.uk/wildlife\\_recording/grid\\_reference\\_guide.htm](http://www.erccis.co.uk/wildlife_recording/grid_reference_guide.htm) or contact the ERCCIS Wildlife Information Service on (01872) 240777 ext 250

What are the approximate dimensions of the pond (in metres)?

Length \_\_\_\_\_ m Width \_\_\_\_\_ m Max depth \_\_\_\_\_ m

(To estimate the length and width of the pond you can pace the distance and then multiply this by the length of your average pace in metres, e.g. Length = 20 paces x 0.75 m = 15 m)

What type of pond?

Garden wildlife pond  Garden fish pond  Duck pond  Farmland pond  
 Fishing pond  Other – Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

Where is the pond situated?

Garden  Farm  Open countryside

Is the pond connected to a watercourse?  Yes  No

Does the pond have any of these features

Artificial liner  Pump  Filter  Fountain

What are the sides of the pond like?

Vertical  Gently sloping  Concrete

Earth sided  Rock  Stone sided Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

## ABOUT THE PLANTS IN THE POND

### Plants in your pond

Common name	Latin Name	Species present (please tick)	Area coverage %
PARROT'S FEATHER	<i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
NEW ZEALAND PYGMY WEED	<i>Crassula helmsii</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
FLOATING PENNYWORT	<i>Hydrocotyle ranunculoides</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
CURLY WATERWEED	<i>Lagarosiphon major</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
WATER PRIMROSE	<i>Ludwigia peploides</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
LARGE-FLOWERED WATERWEED	<i>Egeria densa</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
WATER FERN	<i>Azolla filiculoides</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
WATER LETTUCE	<i>Pistia stratiotes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
WATER HYCINTHE	<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
CANADIAN WATERWEED	<i>Elodea canadensis</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
NUTTALL'S WATERWEED	<i>Elodea nuttallii</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>

## ABOUT THE WILDLIFE AROUND THE POND

### Have you seen the following?

**Fish**, Please specify which species if known \_\_\_\_\_

- Frogs**     **Toads**     **Newts**     **Dragonflies/Damselflies**     **Grass snakes**  
 **Spawn**     **Spawn**  
 **Tadpoles**     **Tadpoles**

**Comments** \_\_\_\_\_

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DATA PROTECTION ACT – All the information you provide will be added to the computer database at the Environmental Records Centre for Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. Wildlife information from this database may be passed onto third parties but personal details relating to recorders will not be passed on without prior permission being given by the individual. Some wildlife information may also be made available on a website but personal details will not. Please contact us if you have any objections.

Please send this form when completed to:-  
Lisa, ERCCIS, Five Acres, Allet, Truro, Cornwall, TR4 9DJ

**Thank you for taking the time to participate in this survey**

visit: [www.ercis.co.uk/projects/investigate\\_invasives/pondcheck/](http://www.ercis.co.uk/projects/investigate_invasives/pondcheck/)

contact: [pondcheck@cornwt.demon.co.uk](mailto:pondcheck@cornwt.demon.co.uk)

