



South Georgia & the South Sandwich Islands

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Instructions on completing the attached GSGSSI Post Visit Report (PVR) proforma.

If you are a member of IAATO you will be able to complete it through their website and export it as part of your IAATO reporting. If you are not a member of IAATO you will need to complete the Excel proforma following the instructions, using the drop down menu where applicable.

Please email your completed PVR to GSGSSI within 30 days of your visit: admin@gov.gs

The information you provide is used by the GSGSSI to monitor the level of visitor activity at each site around the island. This enables us to manage each site in such a way as to ensure that no negative impact on the environment or wildlife occurs as a result of your visit and multiple visits over time.

PART 1 – Expedition Record

The **Expedition Leader** is the person responsible for ensuring that landings and conduct ashore comply with the permit conditions and visitor regulations.

The **Last landfall before arrival at SGSSI** and the **First landfall after departure from SGSSI** describes your last and your next landing, such as Falkland Islands and then Antarctic Peninsula, rather than the next port. This will not be in South Georgia. This helps us build up a picture of overall movements, which may be important when considering biosecurity issues in the future.

Pax / Staff / Crew / Others: Sometimes it can be difficult to work out which category people fall into.

- *Passengers* are, well, passengers whether paying for the trip or not;
- *Staff* are people who are there to educate and guide the passengers when ashore;
- *Crew* are people who work on the vessel.

For example, if a chartering group brings their own doctor (who might be considered in the ships manifest as a staff member) they should be put down in the PVR as crew.

For example, a zodiac driver would be crew unless they go ashore and assist with guiding passengers, in which case they are staff.

Official Observers. These are either Observers working under the Antarctic Treaty System, making observations of the Antarctica part of the trip; GSGSSI Appointed Observers (including Government Officers); or IAATO-sponsored Observers.

PART 2 – Site Visit Record

Please complete one line for each activity undertaken at each site. Give separate numbers of people and times for each activity.

Site **Visited:** Use the codes and names from the drop down menu on the Site visit record spreadsheet. Place-names and codes are also listed on the List values spreadsheet. The place-names

and codes are also listed in the **Official Place-Names List** in the back of the Visiting South Georgia 2020/2021 document. NB Most visits are limited to sites on this list.

Larger bays, such as Royal Bay and Cooper Bay have a number of sites, and you must record your visit to each site separately.

Non-Landing Activities: Where the activity is water-based, e.g. SC - Ship Cruising, ZC – Small Boat Cruising, SD – Scuba Diving, the general bay name may be more appropriate.

BL – Small Boat Landing. Please include everybody who lands at a site in the BL activity numbers, unless they are landing solely to partake in another activity, such as an Extended Walk or Kayaking as this is recorded elsewhere.

EW – Extended Walk. If the walk joins two sites such as Maiviken to Grytviken, remember to include the number of walkers in the same line as for the BL (Boat Landing) at the start site and the end site, unless the BL is solely for the purpose of dropping off or collecting the walkers.

SC – Ship cruise. There is no need to include numbers of people taking part in ship cruises.

XS – Expedition Support. If you are supporting an expedition, as permitted by GSGSSI to operate independently of the ship operation and to stay ashore overnight, use this activity to indicate visits to deploy and recover expedition members or their equipment etc. When supporting expeditions, you do NOT need to include their independent activities in the PVR; they will submit a Post-Expedition Report separately that will cover this.

Extra information

If you have any additional information to provide about the places you visit and their administration please put them in a letter along with the Post Visit Report Form when you return it to admin@gov.gs.

The Government of South Georgia & the South Sandwich Islands reads all feedback but may not be able to respond personally to it all. Your observations are very valuable to us as an organisation.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form correctly.



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