

## AERC FORM FOR RARE BIRDS

Please send this form together with any useful records (photographs, specimen, sketches, sound-records, etc.) to the National Rarities Committee

To the National Rarities Committee of:

**Species (subspecies):**

**Observer:**

Age, plumage, sex:

Other observers:

Number of birds:

Who found the bird?

**Place of observation** (Area, Locality, Municipality):

**Date of observation (first and following):**

Form completed on:

Time:  
Length of observation:

Type of binoculars/scopes used:

Observation:  
in the field  found dead   
trapped  ring code:

Supporting evidence (please enclose evidence)  
photographs  skin   
recordings  others:

Weather (clouds, wind etc.):

Where has the evidence been archived?

Quality of light (sight):

Habitat:

If this observation has already been published, please state where and when:

**Please give detailed explanations on the following points and questions:**

- Observation circumstances, other similar species present
- Description of bird according to notes taken on the spot
  - Sketch
- In case of captured or dead birds, please indicate measurements, moult etc.
- Which other species could the bird be confused with, and why can any confusion be excluded?
  - Are you familiar with this species from earlier observations?
- What literature did you consult during the observation, shortly afterwards and later on?
  - Is there still any doubt as to the correct identification?