

# **Breeding Woodcock Survey 2024 - Habitat Recording Form**



Please complete Sections 1-4 for the area within a 200m-radius of the count point between 15<sup>th</sup> May and 15<sup>th</sup> June. It may be necessary to use paths and tracks around the count point to assess habitat, but please ensure you do so using public access or with landowner permission. Please print a satellite map of the 200m buffer surrounding your count point on the 'Woodcock - Data Home' page of the survey website.

1.) Percentage of woodland and other habitats within 200m radius (Should sum to 100%).

	Woodland (see	Section 2a & b)		
	Mature woodland closed canopy woodland over 5m tall	Young woodland Average tree height is below 5m (see Section 3)	Open space within woodland e.g. clearings, rides and roads, clear fells etc.	Non-woodland e.g., fields, lakes, built-up areas etc.
Example	75%	10%	5%	10%
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### 2.) Common woodland types

2a.) Based on woodland within 200m of the count point, which description most closely matches the site? Consider both young and mature woodland if applicable. Tick one.

CONIFER [M1] Entirely or almost entirely coniferous		
	[M2] More than two thirds <b>coniferous</b> , but with more than 5% broadleaf	
	[M3] Roughly even mixture of coniferous and broadleaf trees	
	[M4] More than two thirds <b>broadleaf</b> , but with more than 5% coniferous	
BROADLEAF	[M5] Entirely or almost entirely <b>broadleaf</b>	

2b.) From the list overleaf, please select up to three woodland types that represent the commonest woodland categories occurring within 200m of the count point. If possible, select the understorey/field layer categories associated with each of these woodland types (also overleaf). Consider both young and mature woodland if applicable.

	Woodland type Code	Understorey/ field layer type	Understorey/ field layer density
Evamples	OBM	T2	D2
Examples	BIR	T0	D0
Most common woodland type:			
Second most common woodland type (if applicable):			
Third most common woodland type (if applicable):			

#### 3.) Young woodland

This may include newly planted or replanted woodland, coppiced woodland or areas allowed to naturally regenerate after felling. Which types of young woodland are present? Tick all that apply.

Stand(s) of young woodland where average tree height is below 2m	
Stand(s) of young/intermediate woodland where average tree height is 2 - 5m	

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For woods that extend significantly beyond the 200m radius described, is the summary above representative of woodland type and composition in the wider 1-km square?

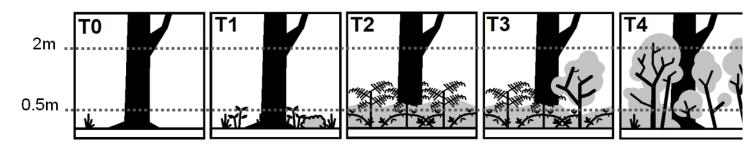
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### Woodland categories Codes for Section 2b.

	Code	Woodland Type			
	SPP	Scots Pine (Plantation)			
	SPN	Scots Pine (Native woodland)			
	SIT	Sitka Spruce			
	COR	Corsican Pine			
Coniferous categories	LAR	Larch			
	OC	Other dominant conifer type			
		e.g., Douglas Fir/Yew			
	MC	Mixed conifers			
		i.e., no single species dominates			
	OAK	Oak dominated			
		may contain Ash, Sycamore, Hazel or Holly— see OBM below.			
	OBM	Oak-Birch mixture			
	BEE	Beech dominated			
Broadleaved categories	BIR	Birch dominated			
		Inc. areas of young Birch woodland			
	ОВ	Other dominant broadleaf type			
		e.g., Ash - Field Maple, Willow, Alder			
	MB	Mixed broadleaves			
		i.e., no single species dominates (see also Oak dominated)			
Mixed categories	MIX	Mixed conifers and broadleaves			
Wince categories		i.e. intimate mix of conifers and broadleaves within the same stands. Otherwise			
		select multiple categories representing commonest stands.			

#### Understorey/field layer type and density categories for Section 2b.



### **UNDERSTOREY/FIELD LAYER TYPES:**

- **T0** = No understorey, field layer bare or grass dominated;
- T1 = Herbaceous and woody field layer below 50 cm tall e.g. Dog's Mercury;
- **T2** = Herbaceous and woody field layer over 50 cm tall e.g. Bracken or Bramble;
- **T3** = Mixture of herbaceous and woody vegetation with tall shrubby understorey;
- T4 = Tall shrubby understorey (>2m) e.g. Holly, field layer bare or grass dominated. NA = Not available

## **DENSITY:**

**D0** = none/almost none

**D1** = sparsely scattered

**D2** = patchy/clumped

**D3** = extensive patches or total coverage.

