

It is important that you follow some simple steps when recording:

Name:

Please use the same format each time eg. always Bill Smith not sometimes William Smith, Mr. W. Smith or Billy Smith. A number of different names for the same person can confuse the records and make them difficult to verify.

Place/ postcode:

This allows us to find the approximate site where you are recording on an Ordnance Survey (OS) map.

Grid reference number:

If possible a six figure grid reference number is very helpful eg. Court Hey Park SJ417901. As long as you give the post-code we can find this for you.

Date:

This allows your records to be compared from one year to the next. Please give **DD/MM/YYYY** eg 09/02//2007

Type of butterfly:

What species did you see? (i.e. Peacock ,Tortoiseshell etc). It's even better if you can write down the Latin names. You can use books or search the internet to find these, but don't worry if this is not possible.

Abundance (number seen)

The numbers will vary according to time of year; weather; food available etc. By comparing these from year to year we can note changes. Record the highest number seen at any one time on each date.

Did you know?

Butterflies have short life cycles and react quickly to environmental changes. There are 59 species of butterfly known to breed regularly in the British Isles and a further half dozen or so species visit us regularly from abroad but cannot survive our winters. Over the last 50 yrs, numbers have declined dramatically.



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Merseyside Butterflies

Name:.....

(always use the same name when submitting records)

Site / Locality: eg. garden, name of park, name of woodland etc.

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Postcode:.....

Grid ref. if known:.....

Merseyside BioBank will be keeping records on species and habitats across Merseyside.

Become a recorder and make an important contribution to the conservation of wildlife in your local area.

Please return your records to:

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