

IAATO Whale Collision Reporting Form

In the case of a whale collision, please send the following information to shipscheduler@iaato.org. This report will be used to create a report for the International Whaling Commission for their database.

1. Date of event: (Day/month/year)
2. Species Struck: (Known or suspected species struck)
3. Fate of Whale: (Killed, Injured, Unknown)
4. Name of Ship/Length of Ship / Tonnage:
5. Speed of Ship at time of Collision: (in Knots)
6. Location of Event: Latitude / Longitude
7. Brief Description of the event:
 - Time of event (hour and was this during day, night, or dusk)?
 - Sighting conditions (sea state, weather, visibility)?
 - Was whale seen just before the collision?
 - If seen before the collision, distance seen in front of vessel?
 - What was the whale's behavior (e.g., swimming at surface, feeding, breaching etc)?, was there any sign of a response to the vessel (e.g. sudden dive or change of course)?, were other whales seen with the whale or in the area?
 - Was the strike felt or heard aboard the ship?
 - Was an injured or dead animal or blood in water seen after strike?
 - Was the whale caught and carried on the bow of the ship?
 - Was there any damage to the ship?