

Instructions for completing the Lindisfarne Wildfowling bag return

Please read the following carefully

Your return must be sent in by 7th March 2026.

Failure to complete & return this document on time may result in future permits being refused.

If you require any assistance in completing the bag return, please contact the wildfowling warden.

This form is to be used to record your wildfowling activity on Lindisfarne NNR in compliance with your permit agreement. *We have completed an example entry on the bag return form to help you to fill in the return correctly.*

1. If you did not visit the site during the season tick the box at the top of the form, and return the form as instructed below.
2. It is very important that you record **every wildfowling visit**, even when no birds were shot, or no shots were fired.
3. In column one, please put the date of the visit.
4. In column two

AREA NO

 please enter the area number in which you visited (Area 5-14 as shown on the map on the back of the 'Wildfowling Return Form').

***If you move into a new area during a flight, record this as a new visit on the form. Likewise, if you stayed for more than one flight, record this as a new visit.**

5. In column three

FLIGHT TIME

 please use the following codes:

Morning Flight

MF

Evening Flight

EF

Tide Flight

TF

Night Flighting

NF

6. In column four, please enter the number of hours you spent on the site for each visit.
7. In columns five to seven, please enter the number of ducks, geese or waders shot for each visit.
8. In column eight

TEMPORARY HIDE USED Y/N

 please state '**Y**' for '**Yes**' or '**N**' for '**No**' to indicate whether you used a temporary net hide. If you have just used one of the permanent stone hides, then please answer '**N**'. If, however you have used a net hide in conjunction with a permanent stone hide then please answer '**Y**'.
9. In column eight

NUMBER OF CARTRIDGES

 please insert **the total number of cartridges fired during that visit**. This figure includes missed shots, cripple stopping shots or any other shot whatsoever.
10. In column nine, please make notes on any weather conditions, other disturbances or other factors that could influence wildfowling on the site.
11. The bag return form must be completed and returned with your permit to: **Lindisfarne Wildfowling Warden, Lindisfarne NNR Office, Beal Station, Beal, Berwick-upon-Tweed, TD15 2PB**
Or
Email it to **Shaun McWilliams: shaun.mcwilliams@basc.org.uk by 7th March 2026.**
12. Extra copies of the bag return form can be obtained from the BASC website or from the Warden/BASC Wildfowling Advisor.
13. All returns will be treated as strictly confidential. No individual wildfowler will be identified in any future reports or data use.

You are required to provide a full shooting return as part of shooting over the NNR. Please help us satisfy this requirement – to do otherwise could well jeopardize your shooting. Thank you.