

From: [Redacted]
Sent: 08 May 2020 10:05
To: [Redacted]
Cc: SAC Stranding <Stranding@sruc.ac.uk>
Subject: RE: Seal Carcass

Good morning [Redacted],

That does sound quite challenging indeed; hopefully the situation will soon stabilise, allowing for children to go back to school at least...

There have been another two shot seals reported since my last email (one again on Shetland, the other in Loch Linnhe which [Redacted] forwarded to you already). Neither had photos of the carcass, though one underwater photo of a seal pulling a fish at a net was provided (photo attached). Would you like us to forward each individual report to you, or is a "weekly summary" for the weeks we get shot seals reported easier? Just let us know what works.

Summary of all four cases that have been reported since 30-04-2020 at the bottom of this email.

Take care, and have a lovely weekend when it comes.

Cheers,
[Redacted]

M ref	Date shot	Date reported	What	Certain?	Location	Local Authority	Gridref	Photos	Comments
M226/20	30/04/2020	01/05/2020	Grey seal	No	Vidlin, Scottish Sea Farms Limited	Shetland	HU485676	no	Shot under licence Scottish Sea Farms Limited. Carcase sank before photos were taken. Reported to MS
M228/20	03/05/2020	04/05/2020	Grey seal	No	Swarta Skerry, Scottish Sea Farms Limited	Shetland	HU473623	no	Shot under licence Scottish Sea Farms Limited. Carcase sank before photos were taken. Reported to MS

M230/20	04/05/2020	05/05/2020	Grey seal	No	Vidlin, Scottish Sea Farms Limited	Shetland	HU485676	yes (ish, alive - attached)	Shot under licence Scottish Sea Farms Limited. Carcase sank before photos were taken. Reported to MS
M233/20	05/05/2020	07/05/2020	Grey seal	No	Loch Linnhe, Scottish Sea Farms Limited	Argyll & Bute	NM 82199 40801	no	Shot under licence Scottish Sea Farms Limited. Carcase sank before photos were taken. Reported to MS

From: [Redacted]

Sent: 07 May 2020 22:18

To: [Redacted]

Subject: RE: Seal Carcass

Good evening [Redacted]

[Redacted] I hope that you are well.

Thank you so much for providing this information. It would be really helpful to continue to have sight of these reports in moving forward, including any update on whether photographs are provided.

Take care and hope to catch up in the not too distant future.

Best wishes

[Redacted]

From: [Redacted] **Sent:** 04 May 2020 13:41

To: [Redacted]

Cc: SAC Stranding <Stranding@sruc.ac.uk>

Subject: FW: Seal Carcass

Hi [Redacted],

I hope you are well and coping with these rather strange circumstances.

Following your conversation with [Redacted] about seals shot under licence, we have had two seals reported from Scottish Sea Farms on Shetland last week. I understand they have been reported to Marine Scotland already, but just for your information and to show you how these data get reported to us, please see data and (one of) the email(s) below.

1. 1 reported Grey seal (no photos), Vidlin HU 485676 , on 30/04/2020. Shot and carcass sank, no more data.
2. 1 reported Grey seal (no photos), Swarta Skerry HU 473623, on 3/05/2020. Shot and carcass sank, no more data.

As you can see in the email below, we have requested them to try and make sure they get some photographs of the shot seals so we can at least confirm the species next time.

Hopefully this is useful.

Hope you are well, take care, speak soon.

Cheers,

[Redacted]

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From: [Redacted]

Sent: 04 May 2020 11:09

To: [Redacted] SAC Stranding <Stranding@sruc.ac.uk>

Subject: RE: Seal Carcass

Hiya,

My mistake the grid reference for Swarta Skerry is - HU473623.

I have encouraged all site managers to take photos prior to a cull and will continue to do so.

Kind Regards,
[Redacted]

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Monday, 4 May 2020 10:33 am
To: [Redacted] SAC Stranding <Stranding@sruc.ac.uk>
Subject: RE: Seal Carcass

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Dear [Redacted],

Thank you for this report, as well as the report of the seal that was shot at Vidlin on the 30th April 2020.

The same grid reference is listed for both reports (HU485 676) which is at Vidlin. Would you be able to provide us with a new grid reference for this seal at Swarta Skerry when you get a moment please?

I do appreciate that sea conditions make it difficult especially when carcasses sink, but if every attempt could be made to get some photographs of the shot seals so we can at least confirm the species next time that would be greatly appreciated.

Many thanks again, hope you are well, speak soon.

Cheers,
[Redacted]
[Redacted]

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Sent: 04 May 2020 10:09
To: SACStranding <Stranding@sruc.ac.uk>
Subject: Seal Carcass

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Hi there,

I am writing to inform you of a seal carcass at Swarta Skerry (Grid Reference - HU485676) on 03/05/2020.

1 Grey seal was culled using a single shot to the head by a licenced marks man – this has been reported to Marine Scotland and RSPCA.

Unfortunately there are no photos available.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

Kind Regards,

[Redacted] **Scottish Sea Farms Limited**
Scapa Regional Office, Kirkwall, Orkney, KW15 1SD
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