

BLUE FLAG BEACH CONTROL VISIT SHEET 2011



Date/hour of the visit:	Country:		
Name of the beach:	Name of controller:		
Region:	Municipality:		
Type of visit: announced or unannounced	Physically disabled access?	Y	N

Environmental Education and Information:

Is the Blue Flag flying?	Y	N
- If no, is the reason for not flying the Blue Flag explained?	Y	N
Is there only the Blue Flag from the current year flying?	Y	N
Does the beach have the common information board in place?	Y	N
How many ? _____ Are the international pictograms used? No	Y	N
Is the correct Blue Flag logo used? Yes	Y	N
Information about Bathing Water Quality?	Y	N
- Less than one month old?	Y	N
- In a format understandable by the public?	Y	N
Blue Flag Programme/criteria?	Y	N
- Responsibilities at the international/national/local level?	Y	N
Code of conduct on the beach?	Y	N
Local eco-system/sensitive nature and environment? -	Y	N
- Is it relevant?	Y	N
- Information for divers, snorkelers?	Y	N
- Including code of conduct for behaviour in the sensitive area (where appropriate)?	Y	N
Other environmental information?	Y	N
Map of the beach including all required elements?	Y	N
- if map elements are missing, please list them:		

Are there at least 5 distinct environmental activities offered in the municipality or community?	Y	N
- If yes, please list the planned environmental education activities:		

Is there a Blue Flag Environmental Information Centre?	Y	N
- If yes, does it have printed material about the Programme?	Y	N
Guidelines about safety?	Y	N

Water Quality:

Are there any signs that sewage related waste (oil film, odours, foam, discoloration) or other waste affects the beach/water?	Y	N
-if yes, what signs:	Y	N

Environmental Management:

Does the beach appear to be regularly cleaned?	Y	N
Are there enough litterbins on/by the beach?	Y	N
- Do they appear to be regularly emptied?	Y	N
Are there facilities for receiving recyclable waste materials at/near the beach?	Y	N
Is driving on the beach prohibited? -	Y	N
- If not, is it controlled?	Y	N
Is camping prohibited on the beach?	Y	N
Are the surrounding natural areas well preserved?	Y	N
- If no, explain why:		
Is there a need to manage seaweed/kelp on the beach?	Y	N
Are there toilets/ablutions in place?	Y	N

- Reasonable number of facilities?	Y	N
- Do they seem to be regularly cleaned?	Y	N
- Easy to find?	Y	N
- Do they have controlled sewage disposal?	Y	N
- Reasonable distance from anywhere on the beach?	Y	N
- Facilities for disabled people?	Y	N
Are the buildings and surroundings well maintained?	Y	N
Are dogs prohibited on the beach?	Y	N
- If not, are they controlled?	Y	N
Promotion of sustainable transportation? -	Y	N
- If yes, which type		

Safety and Services

Is the access to the beach free?	Y	N
Are there lifeguards on site?	Y	N
- Enough lifeguards to serve the whole beach?	Y	N
- Are they easy to locate?	Y	N
Time for presence of lifeguards?	Y	N
Is the beach equipped with lifesaving equipment?	Y	N
- Does there seem to be enough to serve whole beach?	Y	N
- Is it in working order?	Y	N
- Is it easy to locate?	Y	N
Does the beach have beach warning or beach zoning flags?	Y	N
Is first-aid equipment offered on the beach?	Y	N
- Is it in working order?	Y	N
- Is it clearly sign-posted and easy to locate?	Y	N
Is the time in which first aid is available clearly informed?	Y	N
Are the different recreational activities zoned?	Y	N
- Is it necessary to zone?	Y	N
- Is there a potable source of water protected from contamination by animals?	Y	N
- Is there access for disabled people to the beach?	Y	N
Is there reserved parking for disabled people?	Y	N
Is there a telephone at/near the beach?	Y	N
- In reasonable distance from anywhere on the beach?	Y	N
Is the access to the beach safe?	Y	N

Areas of Non-compliance (be exact):

What recommendations were made?:

Other comments:

Status of the Blue Flag beach:

- Full compliance with the Blue Flag criteria
- Minor non-compliance with the Blue Flag criteria
- Multiple non-compliance with the Blue Flag criteria
- Major non-compliance with the Blue Flag criteria

SOUTH AFRICAN POINTS RATING CALCULATION FOR BLUE FLAG BEACHES

Beach name:		Date of visit:	
Parameters	Maximum possible points	Actual rating	Comments
Outside appearance of the ablutions	10		
Signage	5		
Physical condition and appearance of the interior (walls, tiles, floor)	10		
Maintenance of equipment (seats, basins, taps, etc)	10		
Cleanliness	20		
Adequate light	5		
Odour/freshness	10		
Paper availability and quantity	5		
Availability of soap	5		
Hand-drier/towels/bin	5		
Additional fittings (benches, hooks, changing areas, etc)	5		
Nappy changing facility	5		
Adequate mirrors	5		
TOTAL POINTS SCORED			
Number of points		Star Rating	
40-49		★	
50-59		★★	
60-69		★★★	
70-79		★★★★	
80-100		★★★★★	
Rating achieved:			
Comments:			
Evaluation by:			