**Observer Information**

**SwiftWatch Data Form Chimney Information**

Observer Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Observer Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ City, Province: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Contact information: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Additional Observers: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Site: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Site Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ City, Province: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Type of Property: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Property Owner/Contact: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

| **Date** | **START** **(Arrival** **time at** **site)** **(hh :mm)** | **FINISH** **(Departure time from site)** **(hh :mm)** | **)****C****°****(****p****m****e****T** | **d****e****e****)****p****7****S****-****0****d****(****n****i****W** | **n****o****i****t****a****t****i****p****i****c****e****r****P** | **r** **e****v****)****o****1****C****1****-****d****0****u****(****o****l****C** | **Entry** **time of** **first bird (hh:mm)** | **Entry** **time of** **last bird** **(hh:mm)** | **Net Number of** **Swifts Entering** **Chimney** | **Comments and optional observations:** **a)** total # of swifts seen in the area **b)** # of Common Nighthawks observed **c)** description on if chimney is in need of repair |
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| Visual count | Video count (optional) |
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**Use this space to keep a tally or take notes on each visit. Please add notes for chimneys who may need repair work and could benefit from the Chimney Swift Chimney Restoration Fund:**

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**Wind (Beaufort Scale)**

**0** Calm, smoke rises vertically

**1** Light air, smoke drifts

**2** Light breeze, wind felt on face

**3** Gentle breeze, small twigs move **4** Moderate breeze, small branches move **5** Fresh breeze, small trees sway **6** Strong breeze, large branches in motion **7** Near gale, whole trees moving

**Please enter your data online at:**

**Precipitation**

None

Rain

Hail

Trace /Occasional Rain Thunderstorms

**Cloud Cover (%) 0** Clear

**1** 10%

**2** 20%

**3** 30%

**4** 40%

**5** 50%

**6** 60%

**7** 70%

**8** 80%

**9** 90%

**10** Overcast **11** Fog

**Quick guide to counting swifts**

**1. Start survey 30 min before sunset when cloud cover = 1-3 or 45 min before sunset when cloud cover = 4; end survey 30 min after sunset.**

2. Conduct survey at a safe location in a public area.

3. Under “Net Number of Swifts Entering Chimney”, record the estimated number of swifts in the chimney at the end of your watch. When calculating the final number, take into account any swifts that exited the chimney.

*Example: 2 swifts enter, then 1 swift exits, then 5 swifts enter Net number entering chimney = 6*

https://www.birdscanada.org/naturecounts/ai/submitdata

**Or return completed sheets to your coordinator:**

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4. Individual birds may try a few “practice runs” before they enter the chimney. Do not count the birds that dive down but do not enter the chimney.

5. Mentally “grab” groups of 5, 10, or 20 swifts as they enter the chimney. Counting large numbers of swifts can be challenging – just do your best!

6. During lulls in activity, jot down your subtotals (without taking your eyes off the chimney) and restart counting from zero. At the end of the watch, add up your subtotals.

7. Have fun! Thank you for helping to monitor these special birds.