

# Complete Lists

Get closer to the dragonflies of your favourite wetlands.

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## What is it?

Complete Lists are as simple as they sound. They are a list of the adult dragonfly and damselfly species you see during a single visit to a wetland site. The aim is to record all the species likely to be breeding at the site.

Complete Lists give us data which can be used to create robust population trends. This tells us how dragonflies are faring across the UK, highlighting any changes, such as those caused by climate change.

## How do I take part?

You need no special equipment to take part in this survey. If you are visiting a wetland site, simply make a list of the species you see. Complete lists should be carried out in warm, calm and sunny weather between May and September.

Jot down the date and location. Then walk around all the main breeding areas and note down all the species you see on your visit. You do not need to include numbers seen, life-stage or behaviour, although if you would like to this will add to the value of your records.

## How do I submit my records?

You can submit your records online using iRecord, via the Dragonfly App or by sending them to your BDS County Dragonfly Recorder. Remember to note that you are submitting a Complete List. For more information, visit our website.

## Adopt a site...

You can adopt a chosen wetland site on which to carry out complete lists two or three times between May and September over successive years. This will increase the value of the records for trend analysis. Get in touch with your BDS County Dragonfly Recorder to inform them of your adopted site or for help choosing a site.

A full list of BDS County Dragonfly Recorders can be found on our website.

[www.british-dragonflies.org.uk](http://www.british-dragonflies.org.uk)



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