



## Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey August Survey of Wild Turkey Flocks and Broods

## Instructions:

## Dear Cooperator:

Thank you for choosing to participate in the annual survey of wild turkey flocks and broods! The information you provide is used to monitor long-term trends in wild turkey productivity. Please adhere to the following guidelines:

- $\checkmark$  Record sightings during the month of August only.
- ✓ Fill out a separate survey card for each flock of turkeys observed, including those without poults.
- Record sightings only when you can safely stop and count the turkeys present. Use binoculars whenever possible. Do not report partial counts.
- Record the sex for all adult turkeys observed. In general, most of the adult birds will be the same sex in any given flock.
- During August there is a noticeable size difference between adult turkeys and poults, so you are counting big birds and little birds.
- Make an attempt not to report the same flock multiple times. It is not critical that each flock is recorded only once, but numerous duplications could bias the results.

## <u>Example</u> Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Report:

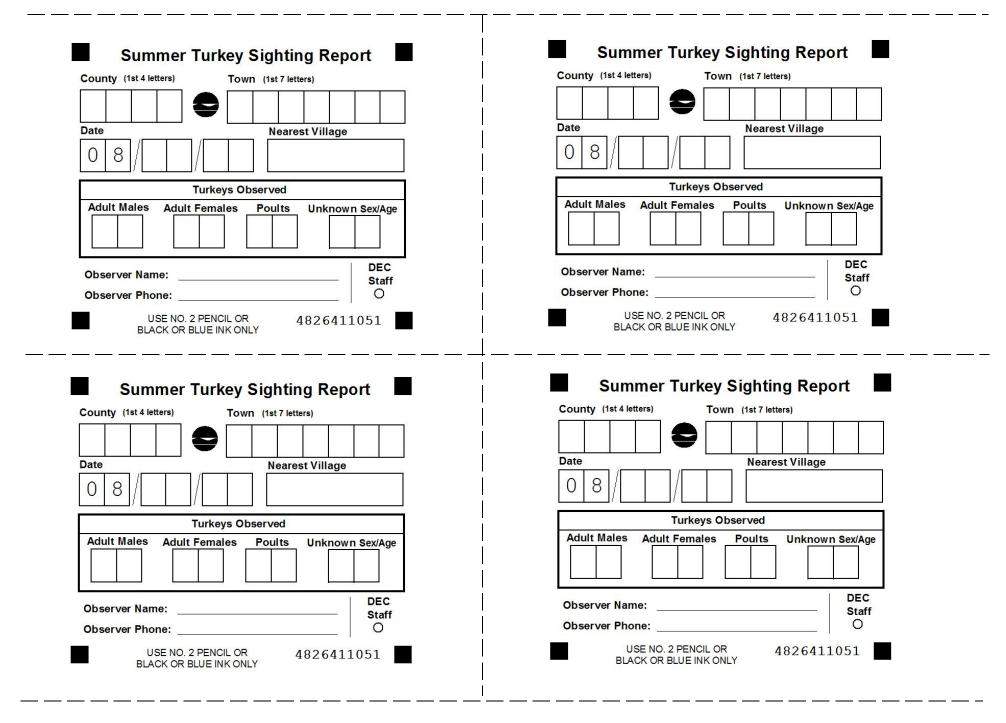


Summer Turkey Sighting Report	
County (1st 4 letters) Town (1st 7 letters)	
CHENSLINCK	LA
Date Nearest Village	
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Turkeys Observed	
Adult Males Adult Females Poults Unknown Sex/Age	
Observer Name:	DEC Staff
Observer Phone:607-555-1234	0
USE NO. 2 PENCIL OR 4826411051 BLACK OR BLUE INK ONLY	

At the end of August please return all completed survey cards to:

Turkey Survey NYSDEC 625 Broadway Albany, NY 12233-4754

Thank you for your help!



PLEASE CUT ALONG DOTTED LINES TO SEPARATE CARDS USE A SEPARATE CARD FOR EACH GROUP OF TURKEYS OBSERVED MAIL TO: TURKEY SURVEY, NYSDEC, 625 BROADWAY, ALBANY, NY 12233-4754