

**DAILY CHEETAH OBSERVATION SHEET**

*This form is to be filled in whenever any metapopulation Cheetah are observed and located. When appropriate please complete additional HUNT or KILL sheets*

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Time:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Observer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Reserve:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ID of Cheetahs observed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Condition** (take coat condition and prominence of skeletal features into account):

Boney (1) /lean (2) /rounded (3) /fat (4)

**Belly index score:** not eaten for days (1) / empty-hungry (2) / full (3) / just eaten (4)

**Location** (i.e. between Kubu dam & drainage line on western boundary): \_\_\_\_\_

**GPS co-ordinates:** \_\_\_\_\_ **S** \_\_\_\_\_ **E**

**Distance from Observer:** \_\_\_\_\_ **m**

**Biome:** Savanna /Grassland/ Thicket /Nama karroo/Succulent Karoo/Fynbos

**Habitat:** Open grass / Medium bush / Thick bush

**Grass height:** Short (<20cm mid-calf) / Medium (20-60cm) / Tall (>60cm mid-thigh)

**Visibility:** 0-20m/20-60m/60-200m/>200m (distance at which the Cheetah would remain visible)

**Weather conditions:** Clear skies / Partly cloudy / Overcast

Calm / Slight breeze / Strong breeze / Windy

Cold / Cool / Mild / Warm / Hot (provide exact temperature where possible \_\_\_\_\_ °C)

**Position:** Lying down (head on ground/head on shoulder)/Couching/Sitting/Standing

**Activity:** Still/Rolling/Walking/Pacing/Trotting/Running

**General behaviour:** Resting/Vigilant/Playing/Searching/Hunting (complete hunt sheet)/Feeding (complete kill sheet)/Other.

Description: \_\_\_\_\_

**Prey in sight**    **Y**    **N**    **Species:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** e.g. Any social behaviour displayed etc. \_\_\_\_\_