

Annual Environmental Report

2020



Milford

D0342-01

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1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND INTRODUCTION TO THE 2020 AER

This Annual Environmental Report has been prepared for D0342-01, Milford, in Donegal in accordance with the requirements of the wastewater discharge licence for the agglomeration. Specified reports where relevant are included as an appendix to the AER.

1.1 ANNUAL STATEMENT OF MEASURES

A summary of any improvements undertaken is provided where applicable.

1.2 TREATMENT SUMMARY

The agglomeration is served by a wastewater treatment plant(s)

- MILFORD (DONEGAL) WWTP - 2020 with a Plant Capacity PE of 920, the treatment type is 2 - Secondary treatment

1.3 ELV OVERVIEW

The overall compliance of the final effluent with the Emission Limit Values (ELVs) is shown below. More detailed information on the below ELV's can be found in Section 2.

Discharge Point Reference	Treatment Plant	Discharge Type	Compliance Status	Parameters failing if relevant
TPEFF0600D0342SW001	MILFORD (DONEGAL) WWTP - 2020	Treated	Non-Compliant	Ammonia-Total (as N) mg/l BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous) mg/l COD-Cr mg/l ortho-Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/l Suspended Solids mg/l

1.4 LICENCE SPECIFIC REPORTING INCLUDED IN AER

Assessment / Report	Included in AER
Small Stream Risk Score Assessment	Yes

2 TREATMENT PLANT PERFORMANCE AND IMPACT SUMMARY

2.1 MILFORD (DONEGAL) WWTP - 2020 - TREATED DISCHARGE

2.1.1 INFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY - MILFORD (DONEGAL) WWTP - 2020

A summary of influent monitoring for the treatment plant is presented below. This monitoring is primarily undertaken in order to determine the overall efficiency of the plant in removing pollutants from the raw wastewater.

Parameters	Number of Samples	Annual Max	Annual Mean
Suspended Solids mg/l	12	133	28.28
Total Phosphorus (as P) mg/l	12	6.54	1.46
COD-Cr mg/l	12	847	93.36
Total Nitrogen mg/l	12	115	20.17
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceo mg/l	12	521	63.83
Hydraulic Capacity	N/A	4192	1530

If other inputs in the form of sludge / leachate are added to the WWTP then these are included in Section 2.1.5 if applicable.

Significance of Results:

The annual mean hydraulic loading is greater than the peak Treatment Plant Capacity. The annual maximum hydraulic loading is greater than the peak Treatment Plant Capacity. Further details on the plant capacity and efficiency can be found under the sectional 'Operational Performance Summary'.

2.1.2 EFFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY - TPEFF0600D0342SW001

Parameter	WWDL ELV (Schedule A)	ELV with Condition 2 Interpretation included Note 1	Interim % reduction from influent concentration	Number of sample results	Number of exceedances	Number of with Condition 2 Interpretation included	Annual Mean	Overall Compliance (Pass/Fail)
COD-Cr mg/l	125	250	N/A	12	4	2	41.9	Fail
Suspended Solids mg/l	25	62.5	N/A	12	7	3	24.16	Fail
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceo mg/l	10	20	N/A	12	9	6	15.31	Fail
pH pH units	9	9	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	7.43	Pass
Ammonia-Total (as N) mg/l	0.65	1.3	N/A	12	10	10	8.76	Fail
ortho-Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/l	0.34	0.68	N/A	12	12	8	0.93	Fail
Total Nitrogen mg/l	N/A	N/A	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	12.26	
Conductivity @20°C µS/cm	N/A	N/A	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	415.13	
Total Phosphorus (as P) mg/l	N/A	N/A	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	1.18	

Parameter	WWDL ELV (Schedule A)	ELV with Condition 2 Interpretation included Note 1	Interim % reduction from influent concentration	Number of sample results	Number of exceedances	Number of with Condition 2 Interpretation included	Annual Mean	Overall Compliance (Pass/Fail)
Nitrate (as N) mg/l	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	0.23	

Notes:

1 – This represents the Emission Limit Values after the Interpretation provided for under Condition 2 of the licence is applied

Cause of Exceedance(s):

Plant overloaded

Significance of Results:

The parameters that exceeded are Ammonia, cBOD, COD, orthophosphate and suspended solids.

2.1.3 AMBIENT MONITORING SUMMARY FOR THE TREATMENT PLANT DISCHARGE TPEFF0600D0342SW001

A summary of monitoring from ambient monitoring points associated with the wastewater discharge is provided in the sections below. For discharges to rivers upstream (U/S) and downstream (D/S) location data is provided. For other ambient points in lakes, coastal or transitional waters, monitoring data from the most appropriate monitoring station is selected.

The table below provides details of ambient monitoring locations and details of any designations as sensitive areas.

Ambient Monitoring Point from WWDL (or as agreed with EPA)	Irish Grid Reference	River Station Code	Bathing Water	Drinking Water	FWPM	Shellfish	WFD Status
Upstream	219277, 426509	RS39M010150	No	No	No	No	Poor
Downstream	218606, 424918	RS39M010300	No	No	No	No	Poor

The table below provides a summary of monitoring results for designated ambient monitoring points. The upstream and downstream annual mean values are shown (mg/l), and the difference between both monitoring stations is given as a percentage of the Environmental Quality Standard (EQS) where relevant.

Parameter Name	Upstream Monitoring Point Location	Upstream Monitoring Point Annual Mean	Downstream Monitoring Point Location	Downstream Monitoring Point Annual Mean	EQS	% of EQS
BOD - 5 days (Total) mg/l	RS39M010150	1.2	RS39M010300	1.95	1.5	50
Ammonia-Total (as N) mg/l	RS39M010150	0.048	RS39M010300	1.052	0.065	1545.3
ortho-Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/l	RS39M010150	0.117	RS39M010300	0.1	0.035	-50.6
Dissolved Oxygen % Saturation	RS39M010150	94.245	RS39M010300	65.273		
Conductivity @20°C µS/cm	RS39M010150	283.818	RS39M010300	264.818		
Nitrate (as N) mg/l	RS39M010150	0.838	RS39M010300	0.77		
pH pH units	RS39M010150	7.364	RS39M010300	7.06		
Total Phosphorus (as P) mg/l	RS39M010150	0.054	RS39M010300	0.168		
Suspended Solids mg/l	RS39M010150	6.6	RS39M010300	7.4		
Temperature °C	RS39M010150	11.182	RS39M010300	10.22		
Total Nitrogen mg/l	RS39M010150	1.517	RS39M010300	2.893		

Significance of Results:

The WWTP discharge was not compliant with the ELV's set in the wastewater discharge licence.

The ambient monitoring results does not meet the required EQS. The EQS relates to the Oxygenation and Nutrient Conditions set out in the Surface Water Regulations 2009.

Based on the ambient monitoring results a deterioration in BOD, Ammonia, TP and TN concentrations downstream of the effluent discharge is noted.

Other causes of deterioration in water quality in the area are unknown.

The discharge from the wastewater treatment plant does not have an observable negative impact on the Water Framework Directive status.

2.1.4 OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE SUMMARY - MILFORD (DONEGAL) WWTP - 2020

2.1.4.1 Treatment Efficiency Report - MILFORD (DONEGAL) WWTP - 2020

Treatment efficiency is based on the removal of key pollutants from the influent wastewater by the treatment plant. In essence the calculation is based on the balance of load coming into the plant versus the load leaving the plant. The efficiency is presented as a percentage removal rate.

A summary presentation of the efficiency of the treatment process including information for all the parameters specified in the licence is included below:

Parameter	Influent mass loading (kg/year)	Effluent mass emission (kg/year)	Efficiency (% reduction of influent load)
TN	1503	914	39
SS	2108	1800	15
cBOD	4758	1141	76
TP	109	88	19
COD	6959	3123	55

Note: The above data is based on sample results for the number of dates reported

2.1.4.2 Treatment Capacity Report Summary - MILFORD (DONEGAL) WWTP - 2020

Treatment capacity is an assessment of the hydraulic (flow) and organic (the amount of pollutants) load a treatment plant is designed to treat versus the current loading of that plant.

MILFORD (DONEGAL) WWTP - 2020	
Peak Hydraulic Capacity (m ³ /day) - As Constructed	621
DWF to the Treatment Plant (m ³ /day)	207
Current Hydraulic Loading - annual max (m ³ /day)	4192
Average Hydraulic loading to the Treatment Plant (m ³ /day)	1530
Organic Capacity (PE) - As Constructed	920
Organic Capacity (PE) - Collected Load (peak week) ^{Note1}	1697
Organic Capacity (PE) - Remaining	0
Will the capacity be exceeded in the next three years? (Yes/No)	Yes

Nominal design capacities can be based on conservative design principles. In some cases assessment of existing plants has shown organic capacities significantly higher than the nominal design capacity. Accordingly plants that appear to be overloaded when comparing a collected peak load with the nominal design capacity can be fully compliant due to the safety factors in the original design.

2.1.5 SLUDGE / OTHER INPUTS - MILFORD (DONEGAL) WWTP - 2020

'Other inputs' to the waste water treatment plant are summarised in table below

Input type	Quantity	Unit	P.E.	% of load to WWTP	Included in Influent Monitoring (Y/N)?	Is there a leachate/sludge acceptance procedure for the WWTP?	Is there a dedicated leachate/sludge acceptance facility for the WWTP? (Y/N)
There is no Sludge and Other Input data for the Treatment Plant included in the AER.							

3 COMPLAINTS AND INCIDENTS

3.1 COMPLAINTS SUMMARY

A summary of complaints of an environmental nature is included below.

Number of Complaints	Nature of Complaint	Number Open Complaints	Number Closed Complaints
There were no relevant environmental complaints in 2020.			

3.2 REPORTED INCIDENTS SUMMARY

Environmental incidents that arise in an agglomeration are reported on an on-going basis in accordance with our waste water discharge licences. Where an incident occurs and it is reportable under the licence, it is reported to the Environmental Protection Agency through their Environmental Data Exchange Network, or in some instances by telephone. Some incidents which arise in the agglomeration are recorded by Irish Water but may not be reportable under our licence for example where the incident does not have an impact on environmental performance.

A summary of reported incidents is included below.

3.2.1 SUMMARY OF INCIDENTS

Incident Type	Cause	No. of incident occurrences	Recurring (Y/N)	Closed (Y/N)
Breach of ELV	WWTP operating above capacity	1	Yes	No
Abatement Equipment offline	Plant or equipment breakdown at WWTP	1	No	Yes
Abatement Equipment offline	Plant or equipment breakdown at WWTP	1	No	No

3.2.2 SUMMARY OF OVERALL INCIDENTS

Question	Answer
Number of Incidents in 2020	3
Number of Incidents reported to the EPA via EDEN in 2020	3
Explanation of any discrepancies between the two numbers above	N/A

4 INFRASTRUCTURAL ASSESSMENTS AND PROGRAMME OF IMPROVEMENTS

4.1 STORM WATER OVERFLOW IDENTIFICATION AND INSPECTION REPORT

A summary of the operation of the storm water overflows and their significance where known is included below:

4.1.1 SWO IDENTIFICATION

WWDL Name / Code for Storm Water Overflow	Irish Grid Ref.	Included in Schedule A4 of the WWDL	Significance of the overflow(High / Medium / Low)	Assessed against DoEHLG Criteria	No. of times activated in 2020 (No. of events)	Total volume discharged in 2020 (m3)	Monitoring Status
SW2	219205, 426474	Yes	Low	Meeting	Unknown	Unknown	Not Monitored

SWO Summary	
How much sewage was discharged via SWOs in the agglomeration in the year (m3)?	Unknown
Is each SWO identified as not meeting DoEHLG Guidance included in the Programme of Improvements?	N/A
The SWO Assessment included the requirements of relevant of WWDL schedules?	Yes
Have the EPA been advised of any additional SWOs / changes to Schedule C3 and A4 under Condition 1.7?	N/A

4.2 REPORT ON PROGRESS MADE AND PROPOSALS BEING DEVELOPED TO MEET THE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS.

4.2.1 SPECIFIED IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME SUMMARY

A wastewater discharge licence may require a number of reports on specific subject areas to be prepared for the agglomeration in question. These reports are submitted to the EPA as part of the Annual Environmental Report. This section provides list of the various reports required for this agglomeration and a brief summary of their recommendations.

Specified Improvement Programmes (under Schedule A and C of WWDL)	Description	Licence Schedule	Licence Completion Date	Date Expired? (N/NA/Y)	Status of Works	Timeframe for Completing the Work	Comments
D0342-SIP:01	Infiltration programme - diversion of storm water from the sewer collection network	C	31/12/2012	Yes	At Planning Stage	31/12/2025	
D0342-SIP:02	Installation of storm water storage tank	C	31/12/2017	Yes	At Planning Stage	31/12/2025	
D0342-SIP:03	Redesign WWTP inlet works for better flow control	C	31/12/2012	Yes	Works Completed		
D0342-SIP:04	Upgrading of Storm Water Overflows to comply with the criteria outlined in the DoECLG 'Procedures and Criteria in relation to Storm Water overflows, 1995'	C	31/12/2017	Yes	At Planning Stage	31/12/2025	
D0342-SIP:05	WWTP expansion and upgrade to provide tertiary treatment	C	31/12/2017	Yes	At Planning Stage	31/12/2025	

A summary of the status of any improvements identified by under Condition 5.2 is included below.

4.2.2 IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME SUMMARY

Improvement Identifier	Improvement Description / or any Operational Improvements	Improvement Source	Expected Completion Date	Comments
There are no Improvements Programme for this Agglomeration.				

4.2.3 SEWER INTEGRITY RISK ASSESSMENT

The utilisation of multiple capital maintenance programmes and the outputs of the workshops with the Local Authority Operations Staff held under the programme can be used to satisfy the requirements of Condition 5 regarding network integrity. Improvement works identified by way of these programmes and workshops will be included in the Improvements Summary Table.

5 LICENCE SPECIFIC REPORTS

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5.a Licence Specific Reports Summary Table

Licence Specific Report	Required by licence	Year included in AER	Included in this AER	Reference to relevant section of AER
Priority Substances Assessment	Yes	2015	No	
Small Stream Risk Score Assessment	Yes	2016	Yes	5.2

5.1 PRIORITY SUBSTANCES ASSESSMENT

The Priority Substances Assessment Report has been included in the AER 2015

5.2 SMALL STREAM RISK SCORE ASSESSMENT

The Small Stream Risk Score Assessment Report is included in Appendix 7.1 - Small Stream Risk Score Assessment. A summary of the findings of this report is included below.

Parameter	Value
Condition 5 Improvement Programme Reference	Ref. 4.2 Specified Improvement Programme

Parameter	Value
Does SSRS indicate discharges are posing a pollution risk?	Yes
Does improvement programme include any procedural and/or infrastructural works?	Yes
Downstream SSRS Water Quality Risk	N/A
SSRS Required?	Yes
Upstream SSRS Water Quality Risk	N/A
What is Downstream SSRS?	Q2-3
What is Upstream SSRS?	Q3

6 CERTIFICATION AND SIGN OFF

6.1 SUMMARY OF AER CONTENTS

Parameter	Answer
Does the AER include an Executive Summary?	Yes
Does the AER include an assessment of the performance of the Waste Water Works (i.e. have the results of assessments been interpreted against WWDL requirements and or Environmental Quality Standards)?	Yes
Is there a need to advise the EPA for consideration of a Technical Amendment / Review of the licence?	Yes
List reason e.g. additional SWO identified	Note
Is there a need to request/advise the EPA of any modification to the existing WWDL with respect to condition 4 changes to monitoring location, frequency etc	No
List reason e.g. changes to monitoring requirements	N/A
Have these processes commenced?	N/A
Are all outstanding reports and assessments from previous AERs included as an appendix to this AER	No

Note: Ramilton, Milton & Rathmullan will be served by 1 WWTP. A licence review will be submitted to accommodate the combination of the various agglomerations.

I certify that the information given in this Annual Environmental Report is truthful, accurate and complete:

Signed: Date: 30/03/2021

This AER has been produced by Irish Water's Environmental Information System (EIMS) and has been electronically signed off in that system for and on behalf of ,

Katherine Walshe

Acting Head of Environmental Regulation.

7 APPENDIX

Appendix
Appendix 7.1 - Small Stream Risk Score Assessment

Milford

River: <u>Maggies Burn.</u>		Code:	Date: <u>6/11/2020</u>	Time: <u>12:35</u>
Station no. <u>20503420</u>		Location: <u>Downstream</u>		Grid (6 figure):
Field Chemistry		Stream Order:		Stream flow: Riffle Riffle/Glide <u>Slow flow</u>
DO%	<u>86.5</u>	Modifications: Y/N Canalised-widened-bank erosion-arterial drainage		
DO mg/l		Dominant Types:		
Temp (°C)	<u>10.1</u>	Bedrock		
Conductivity	<u>219</u>	Boulder (>128mm)		
pH	<u>7.31</u>	Cobble (32-128mm)		
Bank width (cm)	<u>100</u>	Gravel (8-32mm)		
Wet width (cm)	<u>100</u>	Fine Gravel (2-8mm)		
Avg Depth (cm)	<u>60cm</u>	Sand (0.25-2mm)		
Staff gauge		Silt (<0.25mm)		
Velocity	Colour	Slope: <u>Low</u> - Medium - High - Very High		Shading: High - <u>Moderate</u> - Low - None
Torrential	None	Geology: Calcareous-Siliceous-Mixed		Cattle access Y: upstream - downstream or N
Fast	Slight	Substratum Condition: Calcareous-Compacted		
<u>Moderate</u>	<u>Moderate</u>	Loose - Normal		
Slow	High	Substratum:		Photo: Y / N
Very slow		Stoney bottom <u>Muddy bottom</u> Mud over stones		
Clarity	Discharge	Degree of siltation: Clean-Slight-Moderate-Heavy		
Very clear	Flood	Depth of mud: None <1cm <u>1-5cm</u> >10cm >10cm		
Clear	<u>Normal</u>	Litter: None - Present - Moderate - Abundant		
<u>Slightly turbid</u>	Low	Filamentous Algae:		Sewage Fungus:
Highly turbid	Very Low	None - Present - Moderate - Abundant		None - Present - Moderate - Abundant
	Dry	Main land use u/s:		Sample retained:
	Recent Flood	Pasture		Y / N
		Urban		
		Tillage		
		Other		
		Forestry		

General Comments:

Macroinvertebrate Composition

The macroinvertebrates are divided into the following 5 specific groups:

- Group 1 = Ephemeroptera (3-tails) - note that tails may be damaged during sampling
- Group 2 = Plecoptera (2-tails) - note that tails may be damaged during sampling
- Group 3 = Trichoptera
- Group 4 = G.O.L.D (Gastropoda, Oligochaeta and Diptera)
- Group 5 = *Asellus*

Calculate the total number of taxa and relative abundance of each macroinvertebrate group below. (Abundance = Ab)

Relative Abundance

1-5	1
6-20	2
21-50	3
51-100	4
101+	5

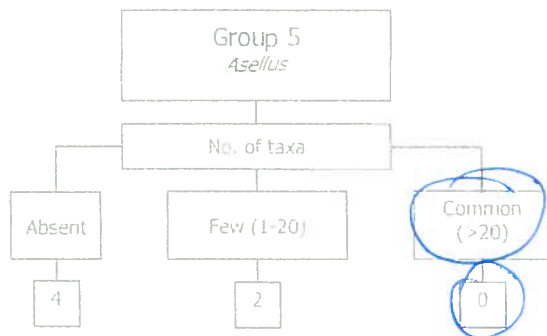
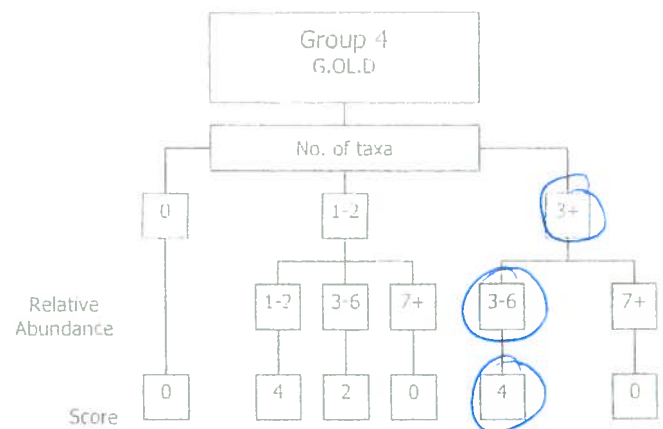
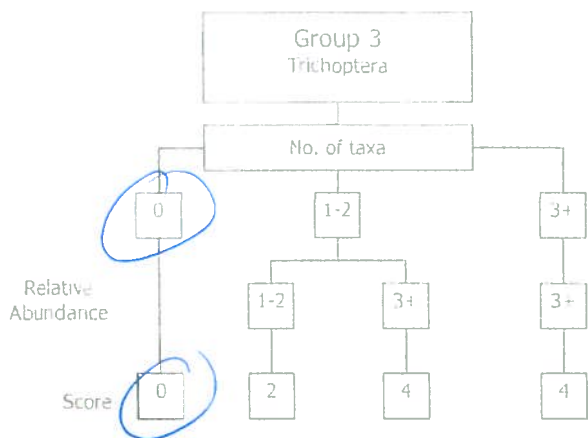
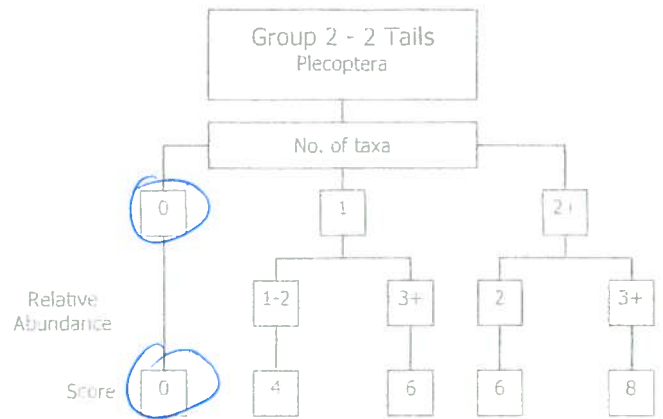
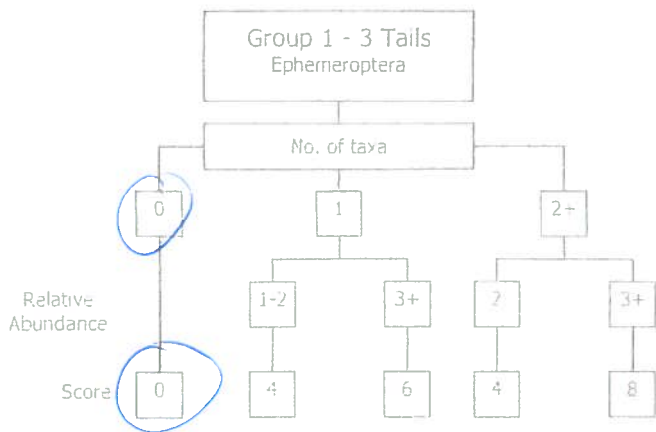
Ephemeroptera:	<i>Ecdyonurus</i> Ab	Plecoptera:	<i>Leuctra</i> Ab
	<i>Rhythrogena</i> Ab		<i>Isoptera</i> Ab
	<i>Heptagenia</i> Ab		<i>Protonemura</i> Ab
	<i>Ephemerella</i> Ab		<i>Amphinemura</i> Ab
	<i>Caenis</i> Ab		<i>Perla</i> Ab
	<i>Paraleptophlebia</i> Ab		<i>Dinocras</i> Ab
	<i>Ephemera danica</i> Ab		Other Plecop Ab
	Other Ephem Ab		Other Plecop Ab

Total no. of taxa	<u>0</u>	Total Relative Abundance	<u>0</u>	Total no. of Taxa	<u>0</u>	Total Relative Abundance	<u>0</u>
Trichoptera:	Hydropsychidae Ab	G.O.L.D:	<i>Lymnaea</i> (G) Ab	Chironomidae (D) Ab	<i>Asellus:</i>		
	Polycentropodidae Ab		<i>Potamopyrgus</i> (G) Ab	<i>Chironomus</i> (D) Ab	Absent		
	<i>Rhyacophila</i> Ab		<i>Planorbis</i> (G) Ab	Simuliidae (D) Ab	Few/Low		
	Philopotamidae Ab		<i>Ancyclus</i> (G) Ab	<u>2</u> <i>Dicranota</i> (D) Ab	Common/	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Limnephilidae Ab		<i>Physa</i> (G) Ab	Tipulidae (D) Ab	Numerous		
	Sericostomatidae Ab		<u>1-4</u> <i>Lumbriculus</i> (Ol) Ab	Ceratopogonidae (D) Ab			
	Glossosomatidae Ab		<i>Eiseniella</i> (Ol) Ab	Other GOLD Ab			
	Lepidostomatidae Ab		<u>50-100</u> Tubificidae (Ol) Ab				
	Other Trichoptera Ab						
Total no. of Taxa	<u>0</u>	Total Relative Abundance	<u>0</u>	Total no. of Taxa	<u>3</u>	Total Relative Abundance	<u>6</u>

NOTE: *Asellus* must be recorded as absent if none are found

NOTE *Baetis* is an Ephemeropteran and is the most commonly occurring invertebrate genus in streams in Ireland. It is vital that *Baetis* is not counted in SSRS. See Appendix B for more details on how to identify *Baetis*.

Step 1. Calculate the Index Score by circling the appropriate box representing the total number of taxa and the total abundance calculated from *each macroinvertebrate group* calculated from page 1 of the recording sheet and enter in to the boxes in Step 2.



Step 2

- a) Index Score Group 1: 0
- b) Index Score Group 2: 0
- c) Index Score Group 3: 0
- d) Index Score Group 4: 4
- e) Index Score Group 5: 0

Step 3. Calculate the Total Index Score, the Average Index Score and the SSR Score using the boxes below

Total Index Score (TIS) sum (a+b+c+d+e) **4**

Average Index Score (AIS) TIS/5 (5 for 5 groups) **0.8**

SSR Score (AIS x 2) **1.6**

Step 4. Assess the stream by comparing the final SSR score with the categories below and tick the appropriate box

> 7.25 Probably not at risk

> 6.5 – 7.25 Indeterminate Stream may be at risk

< 6.5 Stream at risk

Surveyor (signed): B. Gault Name (print): BERNADETTE GAULT Date: 6 / 11 / 2020

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River: Maggie's Burn		Code:	Date: 6/11/2020	Time: 12:05
Station no.: 202503419		Location: Upstream		Grid (6 figure):
Field Chemistry		Stream Order:		Stream flow: Riffle Riffle/Glide Slow flow
DO%	95.9	Modifications: Y/N Canalised-widened-bank erosion-arterial drainage		
DO mg/l		Dominant Types: Bedrock Boulder (>128mm) Cobble (32-128mm) Gravel (8-32mm) Fine Gravel (2-8mm) Sand (0.25-2mm) Silt (<0.25mm)		
Temp (°C)	10.1°C	Slope: Low - Medium - High - Very High		
Conductivity	206	Geology: Calcareous Siliceous Mixed		
pH	7.30	Substratum Condition: Calcareous-Compacted Loose - Normal		
Bank width (cm)	200	Substratum: Stoney bottom-Muddy bottom Mud over stones		
Wet width (cm)	200	Degree of siltation: Clean-Slight-Moderate-Heavy		
Avg Depth (cm)	30	Depth of mud: None < 1cm, 1-5cm, 5-10cm, >10cm		
Staff gauge		Litter: None - Present - Moderate - Abundant		
Velocity	Colour	Filamentous Algae: None - Present - Moderate - Abundant		Shading: High - Moderate - Low - None
Torrential	None	Main land use u/s: Pasture Bog Forestry		Cattle access Y: upstream - downstream or N
Fast	Slight	Urban		Photo: Y / N
Moderate	Moderate	Tillage		
Slow	High	Other		
Very slow				
Clarity	Discharge	Sample retained: Y / N		
Very clear	Flood			Sewage Fungus: None - Present - Moderate - Abundant
Clear	Normal			Sampled in Minutes: Pond net x 10 Stone wash x 10 Weed sweep x 10
Slightly turbid	Low			
Highly turbid	Very Low			
	Dry			
	Recent Flood			

General Comments:

Macroinvertebrate Composition

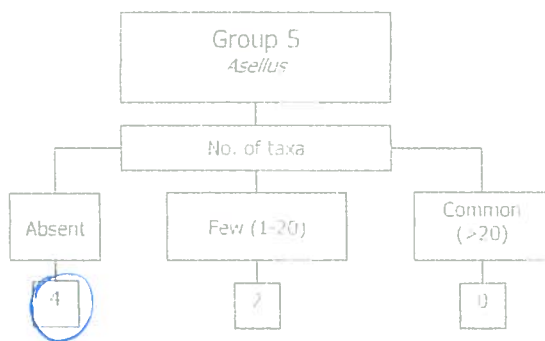
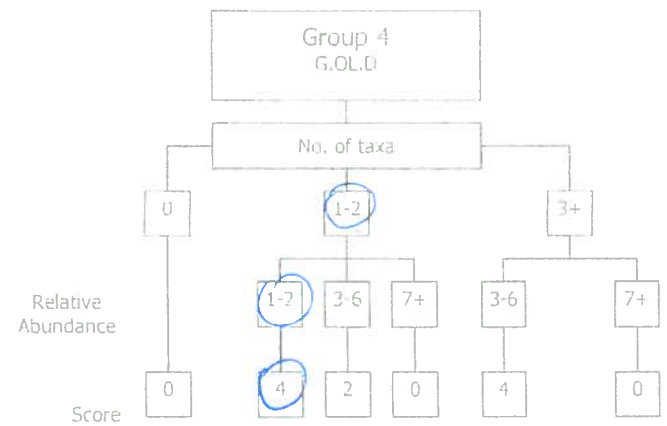
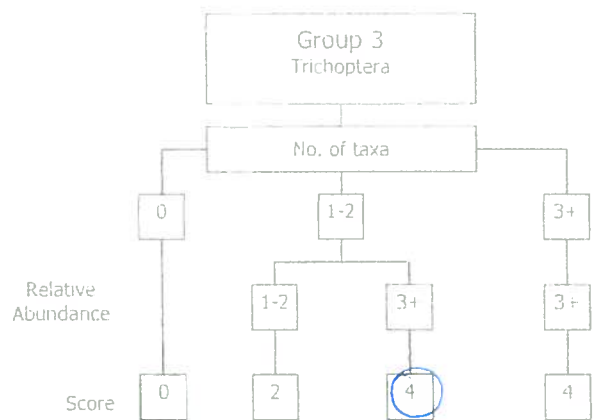
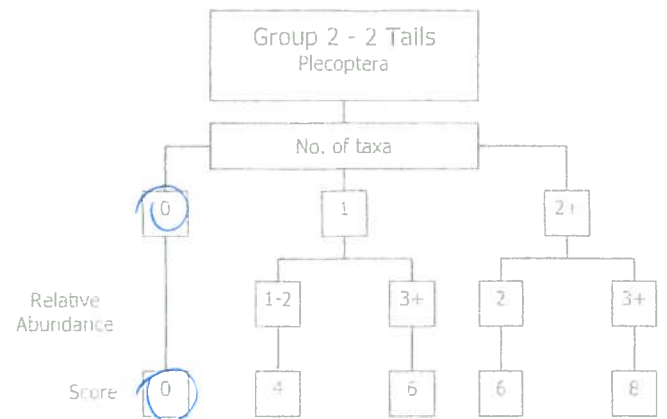
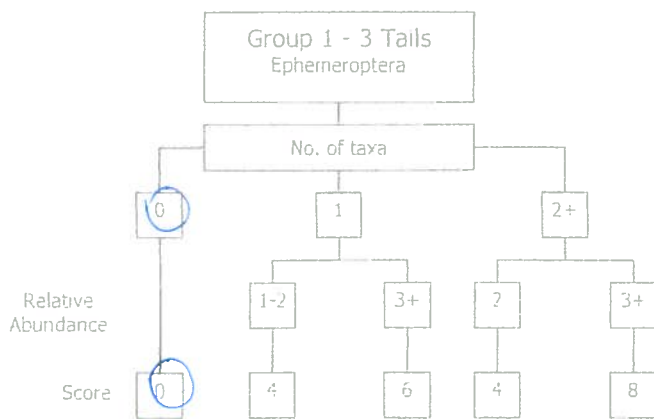
The macroinvertebrates are divided into the following 5 specific groups:
 Group 1 = Ephemeroptera (3-tails) - note that tails may be damaged during sampling
 Group 2 = Plecoptera (2-tails) - note that tails may be damaged during sampling
 Group 3 = Trichoptera
 Group 4 = G.O.L.D (Gastropoda, Oligochaeta and Diptera)
 Group 5 = Asellus
 Calculate the total number of taxa and relative abundance of each macroinvertebrate group below: (Abundance = Ab)

Relative Abundance	
1-5	1
6-20	2
21-50	3
51-100	4
101+	5

Ephemeroptera:	<i>Ecdyonurus</i> Ab	Plecoptera:	<i>Leuctra</i> Ab
	<i>Rhythrogena</i> Ab		<i>Isoperla</i> Ab
	<i>Heptagenia</i> Ab		<i>Protonemura</i> Ab
	<i>Ephemerella</i> Ab		<i>Aniphinemura</i> Ab
	<i>Caenis</i> Ab		<i>Perla</i> Ab
	<i>Paraleptophlebia</i> Ab		<i>Dinocras</i> Ab
	<i>Ephemerella danica</i> Ab		Other Plecop Ab
	Other Ephem Ab		Other Plecop Ab
Total no. of taxa	0	Total no. of Taxa	0
Total Relative Abundance	0	Total Relative Abundance	0
Trichoptera:	G.O.L.D:	Chironomidae (D) Ab	Asellus
Hydropsychidae Ab	<i>Lymnaea</i> (G) Ab	<i>Chironomus</i> (D) Ab	Absent ✓
Polycentropodidae Ab	<i>Potamopyrgus</i> (G) Ab	Simuliidae (D) Ab	1 Few/Low
<i>Rhyacophila</i> Ab	<i>Planorbis</i> (G) Ab	<i>Dicranota</i> (D) Ab	1 Common/Numerous
Philopotamidae Ab	<i>Ancylus</i> (G) Ab	Tipulidae (D) Ab	
Limnephilidae Ab	<i>Physa</i> (G) Ab	Ceratopogonidae (D) Ab	
Sencostomatidae Ab	<i>Lumbriculus</i> (Ol) Ab	Other GOLD Ab	
60 Glossosomatidae Ab	<i>Eiseniella</i> (Ol) Ab		NOTE: Asellus must be recorded as absent if none are found
Lepidostomatidae Ab	Tubificidae (Ol) Ab		
Other Trichoptera Ab			
Total no. of Taxa	1	Total no. of Taxa	2
Total Relative Abundance	4	Total Relative Abundance	2

NOTE *Baetis* is an Ephemeropteran and is the most commonly occurring invertebrate genus in streams in Ireland. It is vital that *Baetis* is not counted in SSRS. See Appendix B for more details on how to identify *Baetis*.

Step 1. Calculate the Index Score by circling the appropriate box representing the total number of taxa and the total abundance calculated from *each macroinvertebrate group* calculated from page 1 of the recording sheet and enter in to the boxes in Step 2.



Step 2

- a) Index Score Group 1
- b) Index Score Group 2
- c) Index Score Group 3
- d) Index Score Group 4
- e) Index Score Group 5

Step 3. Calculate the Total Index Score, the Average Index Score and the SSR Score using the boxes below

Total Index Score (TIS)
sum (a+b+c+d+e)

Average Index Score (AIS)
TIS/5 (5 for 5 groups)

SSR Score
(AIS x 2)

Step 4. Assess the stream by comparing the final SSR score with the categories below and tick the appropriate box

> 7.25
Probably not at risk

> 6.5 – 7.25
Indeterminate
Stream may be at risk

< 6.5
Stream at risk

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