NOVA SCOTIA NOCTURNAL OWL SURVEY	SURVEY FORM 2022
Please return con	mpleted forms by 31 May 2022 to:
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SURVEYOR if different from above:	ASSISTANT:
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	Make, model & speaker wattage if known:
Identification number:	
PRE-SURVEY EQUIPMENT TEST (	(REQUIRED IF YOU USE YOUR OWN CD PLAYER)
When you tested your CD player, could you hear at maximum volume without distortion) at:	r the <b>Barred Owl</b> broadcast call (when playing the broadcast CI
a) 400 metres distance? Yes No	
b) 500 metres distance? Yes No	
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#### INSTRUCTIONS AND CODING INFORMATION (see NS Guide for Volunteers for full details)

**SURVEY WINDOW:** April 1 to May 15

TIMING: Begin one half hour after sunset and finish before midnight

WEATHER: The survey should be conducted on a calm night with little wind (less than Beaufort force 3, see below) and no precipitation.

ROUTE: Survey routes are 14.4 km long with 10 stops spaced every 1.6 km. If possible, please scout your route in daylight prior to the survey.

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WIND (Beaufort Scale) **CLOUD COVER PRECIPITATION 0.** Calm, smoke rises vertically. Choose a number (circle one) 1. Light air movement, smoke drifts. from 0 to 10 where: None 2. Slight breeze, wind felt on face. Trace 3. Gentle breeze, small twigs move. 0 = Clear Rain 4. Moderate breeze, small branches move. Snow **5.** Fresh breeze, small trees sway. 10 = Overcast

### NOISE LEVEL CODES (Choose only one!)

- 1. None or slight, relatively quiet, little interference.
- 2. Moderate, some interference with broadcast and/or listening.
- 3. High, substantial interference with broadcast and/or listening.
- **4.** Excessive noise, extreme interference with broadcast and/or listening.

#### **TRAFFIC**

Record number of vehicles which pass by during broadcast period.

#### **OWL SPECIES CODES**

BARR - Barred Owl BOOW - Boreal Owl NSWO - Northern Saw-whet Owl LEOW - Long-eared Owl UNOW - Unknown Owl

GHOW - Great Horned Owl EASO - Eastern Screech-Owl SEOW - Short-eared Owl NHOW - Northern Hawk Owl

If more than four individual owls are heard on a single stop, use the additional lines found at the end of the data sheets to report them.

Be sure to indicate the stop at which each additional owl was detected.

## DIRECTION TO OWL

Use a compass to determine North. Face north and align the North arrow on your "compass direction sheet" with true north. Determine the direction that the owl **began calling from**. Mark **one** of the following directions in the space provided (N, NE, E, SE, S, SW, W, NW).

DISTANCE TO OWL

Tick off the box that best describes the distance to the owl from your car **when the owl first began to call**.

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