

**Trainee**

Name	
E-mail contact	
Home address (Austria)	
Phone	

**Ringling station**

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**Station leader**

Name	
E-mail contact	

**Details on stay**

How long was the trainee at the ringing station: \_\_\_\_\_ days

During which season?

Spring migration    Autumn migration    Breeding    Wintering

How many birds/species did the trainee:

1. Extract from the nets: \_\_\_\_\_ birds / \_\_\_\_\_ species (estimate)
2. Ring and measure: \_\_\_\_\_ birds / \_\_\_\_\_ species (estimate)

**Measures of proficiency**

Please evaluate with a mark following these guidelines: **1** (very good) / **2** (needs more practice in some cases) / **3** (needs more practice in general) / **4** (should repeat the whole training) / **NA** (this was not trained)

***Ringling operations***

The trainee can extract birds from the nets	1	2	3	4	NA
The trainee can hold the birds in appropriate grips	1	2	3	4	NA
The trainee can properly identify _____ % of the species caught at the station					
The trainee can apply rings properly	1	2	3	4	NA
The trainee can properly measure fat and muscle scores	1	2	3	4	NA
The trainee can properly measure wing length (flattened and stretched)	1	2	3	4	NA
The trainee can properly measure third primary length	1	2	3	4	NA
The trainee can properly measure tarsus length	1	2	3	4	NA
The trainee can properly age and sex the species caught at the station	1	2	3	4	NA
If evaluation different than 1: what percentage of species can the trainee properly age and sex? _____ %					
Was the trainee trained in other measures (e.g. bill length, claw length, foot length,...)?	yes		no		?
If yes, which measures and how proficient was the trainee at it? ----- ----- -----					
The trainee is fully aware that healthiness of birds has highest priority and adjusts his handling and actions according to his practice status and instructions of the station leader/manager	yes		needs briefing		?

**General qualifications**

The trainee can mount and dismount mistnets	1	2	3	4	NA
The trainee can use other trapping methods	yes		no		?
If yes, which ones and with which proficiency? ----- -----					
The trainee can properly evaluate weather conditions and take decisions about trapping effort (e.g. increasing net round frequency by inclement weather, reducing amount of open nets when too high numbers are being captured)	1	2	3	4	NA
The trainee can cooperate with other volunteers and work well in a team	1	2	3	4	NA
The trainee understands how to fill ringing data sheets properly	1	2	3	4	NA
The trainee can enter data into a digital database	1	2	3	4	NA

**Additional notes**

Do you have any comments or concerns about the trainee’s preparation for her/his independent work as a bird ringer? E.g. what skills should be practiced further before allowing the trainee to ring birds independently? Are there any particular identification/measuring/ageing/sexing skills that need further training? Is the trainee motivated and working properly?

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for your help in training our future ringers!**



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