

## Instructions - Fox Squirrel Sighting Survey

The online Fox Squirrel Sighting Survey is coordinated by the SC DNR Small Game Program.

We very much appreciate your participation. Please read the instructions before submitting sighting reports.

- Fox squirrel sightings should be recorded while conducting normal field activities – it is not necessary to travel to areas where squirrels are sure to be sighted specifically for the purpose of recording fox squirrel sightings.
- Do accurately report all fox squirrel sightings, location, color phase, and date.
- If you are confident that you have already recorded an individual squirrel earlier the same day, do not record it again, but do record it on subsequent days.
- Supply good location information so that sightings may be plotted on a map.

### Additional guidelines:

**For Site:** Provide a brief description of the sighting location; secondary road number, forest service road number, state forest road number, wildlife management area name, etc.

**For habitat:** Use the following abbreviations to designate the habitat the squirrel was sighted in or closest to:

PPy - young pine plantation <15 years old  
PPp - pulpwood sized pine plantation  
PPs - sawtimber sized pine plantation  
PHy - mixed pine-hardwood <30 years old  
PHm - mixed pine-hardwood 30-50 years old  
PHo - mixed pine-hardwood >50 years old  
BHy - bottomland hardwood 30-50 years old  
BHo - bottomland hardwood >50 years old  
UHy - upland hardwood 30-50 years old  
UHo - upland hardwood >50 years old  
FD - agricultural or other open field

**For color: Record the predominant color of the squirrel as:**

BK - mostly black  
GY - mostly gray  
BN - mostly brown

If you have questions concerning the survey, contact me at 803-734-3609 or Fox Squirrel Sighting Survey, Small Game Project, P O Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202. Thank you for your participation.

To submit sightings please follow the link :

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