

## **Pollinator Frequency Count Sheet**



Name:	
Municipality:	

	Date/Time	Weather	Garden Info	Ве	es	Other Pollinators		ors	Additional Notes
	Calendar Date & Time of Day	Temperature? Sunny? Windy?	Flower Colours? Environment?*	Striped	Metallic	Butterflies & Moths	Hummingbirds	Miscellaneous	Actual Length of Count, Other Observations**
Spring									
Summer									
Fall									
Optional Count									
Optional Count									

## **Frequency Count Method**

A frequency count should be completed once a season at the minimum (in spring, summer, and fall). Optional counts may be completed at any time during any season.

- 1. For each count choose a different area of your garden (approx. 1.5m x 1.5m). Do your best to only observe the flowering plants within this area during the count.
- 2. Make note of the date, time, weather, and characteristics of that section of your garden.
- 3. Set a timer for three minutes (preferrably one that beeps when time's up).
- 4. Start the timer and count all pollinators that visit the flowers in the designated area (use ticks in the appropriate column). Multiple flower visits by a single pollinator are not counted unless the individual leaves and re-enters the designated area. If an unidentifiable pollinator enters the area, count it as "miscellaneous".
- 5. Make any additional notes regarding your count (eg. it started to rain, cloudy periods, disruptions, etc.)
- \* Environment refers to what is near the area of your garden under observation (eg. more garden, school, road, forest, etc.)
- \*\* Other observations include changes in weather, disruptions to the count area or attention during the count, pollinators favouring a particular plant, etc.





