



Set up a Litter Journal Account

Go to <https://anecdata.org/projects/view/122> or download the **South Carolina Aquarium Citizen Science** app from the App Store or Google Play and create an account.

- Choose a group or organization account name. Use your logo as your profile photo.
- Create a password.
- Join the Litter Journal.
- Download and print Litter Journal data sheets.

Conduct the Sweep

Divide your group into teams of 2 – 3 people.

Gather supplies for each team:

- One data sheet with clipboard & pen
- One glove per person for your dominant hand
- Bucket or bag, preferably something that can be washed and reused

Each group should look over the sheet together to get familiar with the debris items being documented. During your sweep, team members should call out what they are picking up. The team member holding the clipboard marks each item on the data sheet using tally marks (||||). Brand names and comments on items (especially “other” items) are helpful.

Take photos of your group and what you find!

At the end your sweep,

- Transfer litter into plastic trash bags (as few as possible) for proper disposal in a trash can or dumpster.
- Total up debris item on the data sheets. Add up the grand totals for each debris item across all sheets, then enter your grand totals & photos in the Litter Journal.

Enter your data

Open the Litter Journal. Tap **+ New Observation** on your home screen. Enter litter sweep location and adjust date and time, if needed. Answer questions in the form and enter your totals for each debris type. Add photos and comments about your sweep. Save.

Questions? Contact Kelly Thorvalson at kthorvalson@scaquarium.org.

Thank you for picking up!