

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP (PLEASE TICK ONE BOX):

- ☐ Individual membership: £15
- ☐ Couple/Family membership: £25
- ☐ Concessionary membership: £10

Supporter membership

- ☐ Bronze: £50
- ☐ Silver: £100
- ☐ Gold: £150
- ☐ Platinum: £250

Paper copy

- ☐ I would like to receive a paper copy of the report.

GIFT AID

Gift Aid can be reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. To Gift Aid your donation (inc. membership payments) you must tick the box below:

- ☐ I want to Gift Aid my donation of £_____ and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past 4 years to Wash Wader Research Group.

Declaration:

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.*

Please notify the charity if you:

- want to cancel this declaration.
- change your name or home address.
- no longer pay sufficient income tax and/or capital gains.

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AIMS OF THE GROUP

We monitor waders using the Wash to provide a better understanding of their biology. This will allow decisions which may affect these waders to be taken in the light of factual information.

Our work focuses on 11 target species studying:

- Long-term population dynamics;
- the patterns of migration and origin of each species and any known populations;
- the use of biometrics and other techniques to understand how birds use the Wash;
- the importance of the Wash as a whole;
- the importance of sub areas of the Wash.

MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES:

The biennial report, which is circulated to all members (as a printed or electronic copy). All members may opt to receive an electronic copy of the report. Overseas members receive an electronic copy but may collect a printed copy when attending fieldwork.

Members emails including recent recoveries, fieldwork trip reports and news.

The membership year runs January to December, but if you join in the last three months of a year, your membership will cover the following membership year as well.

MORE INFORMATION

More information about our work and the charity can be found on our website:
<https://wwrg.org.uk>

WASH WADER RESEARCH GROUP



MEMBERSHIP LEAFLET

THE WASH - A VITAL RESOURCE FOR WADERS

The Wash is a 150,000-acre embayment with intertidal mudflats, marine habitat and saltmarsh which hosts internationally important wader and wildfowl populations. It is an important stopover site on the East Atlantic flyway for migrating waders, as well as a key wintering site.

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE GROUPS WORK FOR CONSERVATION

Since 1959, the group has pioneered novel fieldwork techniques used to safely capture, ring and release waders. These have become widely adopted in the international wader study community. This has led to better understanding of the migratory routes of waders passing through the UK, and the particular importance of the Wash as a site for moulting waders in the Autumn. The impact of reduced shellfish availability on wader populations, the longevity of wader species, the high annual survival rate of wintering British Curlew (and poor juvenile recruitment) and the use of functionally linked land by waders, are examples of how our data informs conservation.

THE CHARITY

Prior to 2019, we raised funds to carry out fieldwork activities amongst members, including by providing other research groups around the world with equipment and through consultancy work. Although this remains the main source of our income, transition to a charitable organisation has increased our overheads, and regular contributions to the group will ensure our work can be maintained (and hopefully expanded) in the future.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RATES

Standard membership

- Individual membership: £15
- Couple/Family membership: £25 (one copy of the report)
- Concessionary membership: £10 (unwaged and non-participating members).

More discretionary rates are available through the Membership Secretary to avoid any financial barriers to joining the Group.

Temporary membership

£5 for the first trip in a year. If attending a second trip in the same year, then the full membership is payable, but the £5 temporary membership is deducted.

Supporter membership per annum

Bronze:	£50
Silver:	£100
Gold:	£150
Platinum:	£250

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The Wash Wader Research Group is a Charity registered in England and Wales – Charity number 1196663
Website: wwrg.org.uk

YOUR DETAILS

Name	
Address	
Postcode	
Mobile:	
Email:	

WWRG BANK DETAILS

Wash Wader Research Group

The Co-operative Bank

Sort code: **089299**

Account: **67242814**

(Please put your name as reference)

Please hand to the trip treasurer or return completed form to:

WWRG Treasurer
13 Hooks Hill Road
Sheringham
NR26 8NL

Or electronically to:
membership@wwrg.org.uk

Please contact the Treasurer for details of international payment options.

*If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.