

# HAVE YOU SEEN A TAGGED SEA TURTLE?

## WHAT ARE TAGS?

**Tags** are numbered clips that are fastened onto a turtle that allow us to know who the turtle is and where it has come from.

**Turtles typically carry 2 tags.** They are usually attached on the front flipper in the “armpit” area, but may be on the rear flippers.

## WHAT SHOULD YOU DO IF YOU SEE A TAGGED TURTLE?

### **If the turtle is alive:**

Write down the information on both sides of each tag. Leave the tags on the turtle and release it. Mail the information to the address on the tag.

### **If the turtle is dead:**

Remove the tags, flatten them and mail them to the address on the tags.

## WHAT INFORMATION IS IMPORTANT?

**Where and when** the turtle was seen and what it was doing. A measurement of shell length is useful too.

## WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

If you provide a name and address, a **reward** will be sent in return for the information or tags.

## FURTHER INFO:

Contact the WIDECAST Marine Turtle Tagging Centre at the University of the West Indies (UWI), Cave Hill Campus, Barbados [www.widecast.org/mttc](http://www.widecast.org/mttc)

