

**Assessment of Anthropogenic Disturbances Due to Ecotourism on a Grey Seal
(*Halichoerus grypus*) Colony in the Blasket Islands SAC,
Southwest Ireland and Recommendations on Best Practices**

Supplementary Appendices I & II

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Appendix I

Vigilance behaviour (proportion of seals) \sim Binomial (n_i, π_i)

$$\text{Logit}(\pi_{ij}) = \text{Disturbance level}_{ij} + \text{Tidal state}_{ij} + \text{Wind speed}_{ij} + \text{Group size}_{ij} + \text{Scan sampling}_i + \text{Sampling day}_k$$

$$\text{Scan sampling}_i \sim N(0, \delta_{\text{Scan sampling}})$$

$$\text{Sampling day}_k \sim N(0, \delta_{\text{Sampling day}}) \quad (\text{Equation 1})$$

Flushing behaviour (proportion of seals) \sim Binomial (n_i, π_i)

$$\text{Logit}(\pi_{ij}) = \text{Disturbance level}_{ij} + \text{Tidal state}_{ij} + \text{Wind speed}_{ij} + \text{Scan sampling}_i + \text{Sampling day}_k$$

$$\text{Scan sampling}_i \sim N(0, \delta_{\text{Scan sampling}})$$

$$\text{Sampling day}_k \sim N(0, \delta_{\text{Sampling day}}). \quad (\text{Equation 2})$$

Resting behaviour (proportion of seals) \sim Binomial (n_i, π_i)

$$\text{Logit}(\pi_{ij}) = \text{Disturbance level}_{ij} + \text{Tidal state}_{ij} + \text{Group size}_{ij} + \text{Cloud cover}_{ij} + \text{Scan sampling}_i + \text{Sampling day}_k$$

$$\text{Scan sampling}_i \sim N(0, \delta_{\text{Scan sampling}})$$

$$\text{Sampling day}_k \sim N(0, \delta_{\text{Sampling day}}). \quad (\text{Equation 3})$$

Number of seals \sim Poisson (μ_{ij})

$$\log(\mu_{ij}) = \text{Disturbance level}_{ij} + \text{Season}_{ij} + \text{Tidal state}_{ij} + \text{Cloud cover}_{ij} + \text{Time} + \text{Wind speed} + \text{Wind direction} + \text{Scan sampling}_i + \text{Sampling day}_k$$

$$\text{Scan sampling}_i \sim N(0, \delta^2_{\text{Scan sampling}})$$

$$\text{Sampling day}_k \sim N(0, \delta^2_{\text{Sampling day}}). \quad (\text{Equation 4})$$

Appendix II

Table A. Significant results for the selected GLMM assessing the number of grey seals (*Halichoerus grypus*) hauled-out in response to time after disturbance, tidal state, cloud cover, and wind speed

Predictor variables	Est	SE	<i>t</i>	<i>p</i>
Intercept	6.91	0.82	8.45	< 0.001
Time after disturbance*				
1 hour	-1.42	0.35	-4.02	< 0.001
2 hours	-1.79	0.50	-3.60	< 0.001
3 hours	-1.43	0.45	-3.16	< 0.01
Tidal state*				
Flood	-1.26	0.33	-3.83	< 0.001
Slack high	-0.74	0.29	-2.54	< 0.05
Slack low	0.74	0.38	1.98	< 0.05
Cloud cover	-0.02	6.39e-03	-4.53	< 0.001
Wind speed	0.36	0.09	3.74	< 0.001

*Disturbance level 0 was the reference category for time after disturbance and ebb for tidal state.