



SACFOR Scale

North West
Wildlife Trusts



Abundance	Encrusting and turf species e.g. sponges, barnacles, mussels, seaweeds	Small Plants and animals (1-5cm) e.g. worms, anemones, limpets, dogwhelks	Large Plants and animals (>5cm) e.g. large anemones, crabs, starfish, fish
Superabundant (S)	80-100% cover	10,000 per m ²	100 per m ²
Abundant (A)	40-80% cover	1000 per m ²	10 per m ²
Common (C)	20-40% cover	100 per m ²	1 per m ²
Frequent (F)	10-20% cover	10 per m ²	1 per 10m ²
Occasional (O)	5-10% cover	1 per m ²	1 per 100m ²
Rare (R)	<5% cover	<1 per m ²	1 per 1000m ²