

Annex 1:

General report format, ref. Article 12 of the Birds Directive, for the 2008-2012 report

0. Member State	<i>Select the 2 digit code for your country, according to list to be found in the reference portal.</i>
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1. Main achievements under the Birds Directive

Describe briefly the main achievements under the Birds Directive during the reporting period with a special emphasis on the SPA network. If a Member State wishes to add further documentation to what is requested in this format, please mention these Annexes and their file-names at the end of this free text section and upload respective files in the Reportnet together with the rest of the report. If possible, please provide a translation into English.

1.1. Text in national language	<i>Max. 2 pages.</i>
1.2. Translation into English (<i>optional</i>)	<i>Optional</i>

2. General information sources on the implementation of the Birds Directive - links to information sources of the Member State

For the topics below give a link to Internet address(es) where to find the requested information, or explain how to access this information.

2.1. General information about the Birds Directive	<i>URL/text</i>
2.2. Information about the SPA network	<i>URL/text</i>
2.3. Monitoring schemes (Articles 4(1), 10)	<i>URL/text</i>
2.4. Protection of species (Articles 5-8)	<i>URL/text</i>
2.5. Transposition of the Directive (legal texts)	<i>URL/text</i>

3. SPA classification (Article 4)

Site classification on the national level. Where appropriate, give figures separately for terrestrial sites (excluding marine areas) and marine sites (as defined in the guidance document).

	Number of SPAs	Surface area of SPAs
3.1. All SPAs	<i>Number</i>	<i>Surface area in km²</i>
3.1.1. Terrestrial area of sites (excluding marine areas)	<i>(no information requested)</i>	<i>Surface area in km²</i>
3.1.2. Marine area of sites	<i>Number</i>	<i>Surface area in km²</i>
3.2. Date of last update	Date of latest update of the Natura 2000 database sent to the Commission	

4. Comprehensive management plans for SPAs

Management plans are considered as operational instruments that outline practical measures to achieve the conservation objectives for the sites in the network (see guidance documents).

4.1. Number of sites for which management plans have been adopted	
4.2. Proportion (%) of the network area covered by management plans	
4.3. Number of sites for which management plans are under preparation (<i>optional</i>)	<i>Optional</i>

5. Measures taken in relation to approval of plans and projects (Articles 6(4) and 7 of the Habitats Directive)

List site-wise projects and plans for which compensation measures were necessary. Repeat fields 5.1.1 to 5.1.4 for each project/plan as needed.

5.1. Project / plan with compensation measures	<i>Requested information to be repeated for each site.</i>
5.1.1. Site code	
5.1.2. Site name	
5.1.3. Year of project/plan	
5.1.4. Title of project/plan	
5.1.5. Impact of projects in need of compensation measures on status of bird species at the site (<i>optional</i>)	<i>Optional, free text, max. 250 characters.</i>

6. Research and work required as basis for the protection, management and use of bird populations (Article 10)

Indicate if any of the below listed activities have been done during the reporting period. Additional free text information of relevance with reference to the implementation of Article 10 can be given in Section 1.

6.1. National bird atlas	
6.1.1 Title	
6.1.2. Year of publication	
6.1.3. Web-link and/or bibliographic reference	<i>URL/text</i>
6.2. National bird monitoring overview	<i>Repeat fields 6.2.1 to 6.2.3 if more than one overview has been published.</i>
6.2.1. Title or similar plus short description	<i>Species covered, main results etc; max. 500 characters.</i>
6.2.2. Year of publication	

6.2.3. Web-link and/or bibliographic reference	<i>URL/text</i>
6.3. National bird red list	
6.3.1 Title	
6.3.2. Year of publication	
6.3.3. Web-link and/or bibliographic reference	<i>URL/text</i>
6.4. Other publications of EU-wide interest (e.g. national overview of action for threatened species)	<i>Repeat fields 6.4.1 to 6.4.3 if more than one; maximum ten publications..</i>
6.4.1. Title or similar plus short description	<i>Species covered, main results etc; max. 500 characters.</i>
6.4.2. Year of publication	
6.4.3. Web-link and/or bibliographic reference	<i>URL/text</i>

7. Non-native bird species (Article 11)

Reporting on bird species not naturally occurring in the wild in the European territory of the Member States and for which introduction has taken place during the reporting period. Repeat fields 7.1 to 7.1.3 for each species reported as needed.

7.1. Species scientific name	<i>Requested information to be repeated for each species</i>
7.1.1. Sub-species	<i>Where relevant</i>
7.1.2. Main contents of legal decision for introduction	<i>Free text (maximum 250 characters); to include justification, number of individuals and duration of any authorisation.</i>
7.1.3. Consultation with the Commission	<i>Date</i>

Annex 2:

Bird species' status and trends reporting format for the period 2008-2012

1. Species information	
1.1. Member State	<i>Select the code for your country, according to list to be found in the reference portal.</i>
1.2. Species code	<i>Select code from bird species checklist in the reference portal</i>
1.2.1. EURING code	
1.2.2. Natura 2000 code	
1.3. Species scientific name	<i>Select species from bird species checklist in the reference portal</i>
1.3.1. Sub-specific population	<i>Where relevant, select the distinct population (according to bird species checklist in the reference portal) on which you are reporting</i>
1.4. Alternative species scientific name (optional)	<i>Optional; Scientific name used at the national level, if different to 1.3 or 1.3.1; optional.</i>
1.5. Common name (optional)	<i>Optional; In national language, optional.</i>
1.6. Season	<i>Select the season in which the data you are reporting were collected: Breeding / Winter / Passage ('winter' and 'passage' apply only for a subset of species, as identified in the bird species checklist in the reference portal).</i>

2. Population size		
2.1. Year or period	<i>Year (or period, e.g. 2002-2004) when population size was recorded.</i>	
2.2. Population size	a) Unit	<i>Individuals / Breeding pairs / Other (according to checklist)</i>
	b) Minimum	<i>Number (raw, i.e. not rounded) – if a precise count, to report the same value for maximum and minimum</i>
	c) Maximum	<i>Number (raw, i.e. not rounded) – if a precise count, to report the same value for maximum and minimum</i>
2.3. Type of estimate	<i>Best estimate / 5-year mean / 95% CI range / minimum</i>	
2.4. Method used	<i>3 = complete survey or a statistically robust estimate, 2 = estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling, 1 = estimate based on expert opinion with no or minimal sampling, 0 = absent data.</i>	
2.5. Quality	<i>3 = good / 2 = moderate / 1 = poor</i>	
2.6. Sources	<i>Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.</i>	
2.7. Reason for change (since previous report)	<i>Indicate the likelihood that the difference (if any) between reported values on minimum and/or maximum numbers compared to the previous reporting round primarily reflects 'a genuine change' / 'improved knowledge or more accurate data' / 'use different method to collect field data' / 'use of different methods to process data (e.g. Range Tool)'. For the bird reporting, use of this field is not relevant until the reporting for 2013-2018.</i>	
2.8. Additional information (optional)	<i>Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under fields 2.1-2.8; e.g. description of any conversion factor used to transform field data collected in one population unit into breeding pairs (fields 2.2 and 2.3). Free text, max. 500 characters, optional.</i>	

3. Population trend		
3.1. Short-term trend (last 12 years)		
3.1.1. Period	<i>Ideally 2001-2012 (rolling 12-year time window) or period as close as possible to that, e.g. 1998-2010, if the best available data relate to surveys in those years.</i>	
3.1.2. Short-term trend, direction	<i>0 = stable / F = Fluctuating / + = Increase / - = Decrease / x = Unknown</i>	
3.1.3. Short-term trend, magnitude	a) Minimum	<i>Percentage change over period - if a precise figure, to give same value under 'minimum' and 'maximum'</i>
	b) Maximum	<i>Percentage change over period - if a precise figure, to give same value under 'minimum' and 'maximum'</i>
3.1.4. Method used	<i>3 = complete survey or a statistically robust estimate, 2 = estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling, 1 = estimate based on expert opinion with no or minimal sampling, 0 = absent data.</i>	
3.1.5. Quality	<i>3 = good / 2 = moderate / 1 = poor</i>	
3.1.6. Sources	<i>Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.</i>	
3.2. Long-term trend (since c. 1980)		
3.2.1. Period	<i>Ideally 1980-2012 (although not an ecological baseline, c. 1980 is suggested because it is most policy-relevant to refer to a point of time close to when the Birds Directive was adopted).</i>	
3.2.2. Long-term trend, direction	<i>0 = Stable / F = Fluctuating / + = Increase / - = Decrease / x = Unknown</i>	
3.2.3. Long-term trend, magnitude	a) Minimum	<i>Percentage change over period - if a precise figure, to give same value under 'minimum' and 'maximum'</i>
	b) Maximum	<i>Percentage change over period - if a precise figure, to give same value under 'minimum' and 'maximum'</i>
3.2.4. Method used	<i>3 = complete survey or a statistically robust estimate, 2 = estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling, 1 = estimate based on expert opinion with no or minimal sampling, 0 = absent data.</i>	
3.2.5. Quality	<i>3 = good / 2 = moderate / 1 = poor</i>	
3.2.6. Sources	<i>Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.</i>	
3.3. Additional information (optional)	<i>Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under fields 3.1 and 3.2; free text, max. 500 characters, optional.</i>	

4. Breeding distribution map and range size	
4.1. Year or period	<i>Year or period when the breeding distribution data was collected.</i>
4.2. Sensitive species	<i>The information provided relates to a species (or sub-specific population) to be treated as 'sensitive', and for which maps made publically available will be presented in 50x50 grid scale; YES/NO.</i>
4.3. Distribution map	<i>Submit a map as a GIS file, together with relevant metadata. Standard for submission is 10x10 km ETRS grid cells, projection ETRS LAEA 5210.</i>
4.4. Additional distribution map (optional)	<i>This is for cases where a MS wants to submit an additional map, deviating from the standard submission under field 4.3.</i>
4.5. Range map	<i>This should be the map used for the range size assessment, if not using the Range Tool. Same standard as for fields 4.3 or 4.4 should be followed.</i>
4.6. Range surface area	<i>Total surface area of the range in km². Use of the Range Tool is recommended.</i>
4.7. Method used	<i>3 = complete survey or a statistically robust estimate / 2 = estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling / 1 = estimate based on expert opinion with no or minimal sampling / 0 = absent data (e.g. cases when newly arriving species has not yet established distribution).</i>
4.8. Quality	<i>3 = good / 2 = moderate / 1 = poor</i>
4.9. Sources	<i>Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.</i>
4.10. Reason for change (since previous report)	<i>Indicate the likelihood that the difference (if any) between reported values on range surface area compared to the previous reporting round primarily reflects 'a real change' / 'improved knowledge or more accurate data' / 'use different method to collect field data' / 'use of different methods to process data (e.g. Range Tool)'. For the bird reporting, use of this field is not relevant until the reporting for 2013-2018.</i>
4.11. Additional information (optional)	<i>Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under fields 4.1-4.10; e.g. details of whether and which parts of the area occupied by the species should be considered as 'sensitive' (field 4.2). Free text, max. 500 characters, optional.</i>

5. Breeding range trend		
5.1. Short-term trend (last 12 years)		
5.1.1. Period	Ideally 2000-2012 (rolling 12-year time window) or period as close as possible to that, e.g. 1998-2010, if the best available data relate to surveys in those years.	
5.1.2. Short-term trend, direction	0 = Stable / F = Fluctuating / + = Increase / - = Decrease / x = Unknown	
5.1.3. Short-term trend, magnitude	a) Minimum	Percentage change over period - if a precise figure, to give same value under 'minimum' and 'maximum'
	b) Maximum	Percentage change over period - if a precise figure, to give same value under 'minimum' and 'maximum'
5.1.4. Method used	3 = complete survey or a statistically robust estimate / 2 = estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling / 1 = estimate based on expert opinion with no or minimal sampling, 0 = absent data.	
5.1.5. Quality	3 = good / 2 = moderate / 1 = poor	
5.1.6. Sources	Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.	
5.2 Long-term trend (since c. 1980)		
5.2.1. Period	Ideally 1980-2012 (although not an ecological baseline, c. 1980 is suggested because it is most policy-relevant to refer to a point of time close to when the Birds Directive was adopted).	
5.2.2. Long-term trend, direction	0 = stable / F = Fluctuating / + = Increase / - = Decrease / x = Unknown	
5.2.3. Long-term trend, magnitude	a) Minimum	Percentage change over period - if a precise figure, to give same value under 'minimum' and 'maximum'
	b) Maximum	Percentage change over period - if a precise figure, to give same value under 'minimum' and 'maximum'
5.2.4. Method used	3 = complete survey or a statistically robust estimate / 2 = estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling / 1 = estimate based on expert opinion with no or minimal sampling, 0 = absent data.	
5.2.5. Quality	3 = good / 2 = moderate / 1 = poor	
5.2.6. Sources	Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.	

5.3. Additional information (optional)	<i>Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under fields 5.1 and 5.2; e.g. details of any geographical range shifts (short- or long-term) or fragmentation, even if the total range surface area remains the same. Free text, max. 500 characters, optional.</i>
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6. Progress in work related to international Species Action Plans (SAPs), Management Plans (MPs) and Brief Management Statements (BMSs)	
6.1. Type of plan	<i>SAP / MP / BMS</i>
6.2. Has a national plan linked to the SAP / MP / BMS been adopted?	<i>Yes / No</i>
6.3. If 'NO', please describe the measures and initiatives taken pursuant the SAP / MP / BMS	<i>Free text, max. 250 characters, refer when relevant to code numbers of the actions in the plan.</i>
6.4. Sources of further information	<i>Web-links, published reports etc</i>

7. Main pressures and threats				
To be reported only for species triggering SPA classifications; i.e. species listed in Annex I, plus a selection of key migratory species for which SPAs have been classified, as identified in the species checklist.				
a) Pressure/threat List maximum 20 factors, using codes from checklist of threats and pressures, to minimum second level.	b) Impact H = High (maximum 5 entries) M = Medium L = Low	c) Quality of impact assessment 3 = Good 2 = Moderate 1 = Poor	d) Location Indicate where the factor is primarily operating: 4 = Inside the Member State 3 = Elsewhere in the EU 2 = outside EU 1 = both inside and outside EU x = unknown	e) Sources Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.

8. SPA coverage and conservation measures															
To be reported only for species triggering SPA classifications; i.e. species listed in Annex I, plus a selection of key migratory species for which SPAs have been classified, as identified in the species checklist. Passage species are not to be reported under section 8.1 but only for conservation measures under section 8.2.															
8.1 Population inside the SPA network															
8.1.1 Population size Estimation of population size included <u>in the SPA network</u> (on the national level).	a) Unit		<i>Use same unit as in field 2.2.a.</i>												
	b) Minimum		<i>Number (raw, i.e. not rounded) – if a precise count, to report the same value for maximum and minimum</i>												
	c) Maximum		<i>Number (raw, i.e. not rounded) – if a precise count, to report the same value for maximum and minimum</i>												
8.1.2 Method used			<i>3 = complete survey or a statistically robust estimate, 2 = estimate based on partial data with some extrapolation and/or modelling, 1 = estimate based on expert opinion with no or minimal sampling, 0 = absent data.</i>												
8.1.3 Short-term trend of population size <u>in the SPA network</u> (on the national level). – (optional)			<i>0 = Stable / F = Fluctuating / + = Increase / - = Decrease / x = Unknown. - Optional</i>												
8.2 Conservation measures															
List up to 20 conservation measures taken (i.e. already being implemented) within the reporting period and provide information about their importance, location and evaluation. Fields 8.2.2-8.2.5 to be filled in for each reported measure.															
8.2.1 Measure	8.2.2 Type					8.2.3 Ranking	8.2.4 Location			8.2.5 Broad evaluation of the measure					
	a) Legal/statutory	b) Administrative	c) Contractual	d) Recurrent	e) One-off		a) Inside	b) Outside	c) Both inside and outside	a) Maintain	b) Enhance	c) Long term	d) No effect	e) Unknown	f) Not evaluated
<i>Use codes from the checklist on conservation measures</i>						<i>Highlight – using a capital 'H' – up to 5 of the most important measures</i>									