# REPORTING FORMAT AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 12 OF DIRECTIVE 2009/147/EC (BIRDS DIRECTIVE)



The Article 12 reporting format has two main parts:

- Part A General reporting format, giving an overview of information on the implementation and general measures taken under Directive 2009/147/EC.
- Part B Bird species' status and trends reporting format, including information on pressures, conservation measures and Special Protection Areas coverage.

The report format shall be filled in according to the instructions given in the explanatory notes. Further guidance can be found in the online 'Article 12 reference portal'.

### Main sections of the Article 12 reporting format

Par	rt A - General report format	
1.	Main achievements under Directive	
	2009/147/EC	
2.	General information sources on the	
	implementation of Directive	This section needs to be
	2009/147/EC	filled once covering the
3.	Research and work required as a basis	Member State as a whole
	for the protection, management and	Welliber State as a whole
	sustainable use of bird populations (Art.	
	10 of Directive 2009/147/EC)	
4.	Non-native bird species (Art. 11 of	
	Directive 2009/147/EC)	

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Part B - Bird species' status and trends		
report format		
1. Species information		
2. Season		
3. Population size	This section was to to be	
4. Population trend	This section needs to be	
5. Breeding distribution map and size	filled for all relevant bird	
6. Breeding distribution trend	species of a Member State in accordance with the	
7. Main pressures and threats	guidance given in the	
8. Conservation measures	explanatory notes and	
9. Natura 2000 (Special Protection Areas	relevant check-lists in the	
(SPAs)) coverage	online 'Article 12	
10. Progress in work related to international	reference portal'.	
Species Action Plans (SAPs),	reference portar.	
Management Plans (MPs) and Brief		
Management Statements (BMSs)		
11. Information related to species referred to		
in Annex II of Directive 2009/147/EC		

# PART A - GENERAL REPORT FORMAT

MEMBER STATE	Use the code according to the list in the Reference portal	
1 Main achievements under Directive 2009/147/EC.		

### Free text

#### • Main achievement

Briefly describe the main achievements under the Directive 2009/147/EC during the reporting period, with a special emphasis on the SPA network.

### • <u>Success story example</u>

If available, describe briefly at least one success story. It can concern any wild bird species that shows a genuine improvement during the reporting period, i.e. an increasing short-term population trend (breeding or wintering) irrespective of its long-term trend or a stable/fluctuating short-term population trend in the face of long-term declining trends.

The improvements described should be conservation measure driven, should concern the current reporting period but may well include measures that started at an earlier point in time.

If a Member State wishes to add further documentation to what is requested in this format, mention such documentation as Annexes together with their filenames at the end of this free text section and upload the relevant files to the EEA's reporting mechanism together with the rest of the report. If possible, provide a translation into English.

1.1 Text in national language	Maximum 2-3 pages
1.2 Translation into English	
Optional	

1.3 Name, code and season of species / subspecies	a) Bird species code & name
in success stories	b) Season

# 2 GENERAL INFORMATION SOURCES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DIRECTIVE 2009/147/EC

Provide a link to Internet address(es) for national information sources where the requested information can be found or explain how to access this information.

2.1 General information on Directive 2009/147/EC	URL/text
2.2 Information on the Natura 2000 (Special Protection Area (SPA)) network	URL/text
2.3 Monitoring schemes (Art. 4(1) and Art. 10 of Directive 2009/147/EC)	URL/text
2.4 Protection of species (Art. 5–8 of Directive 2009/147/EC)	URL/text
2.5 Transposition of the Directive (legal texts)	URL/text

# 3 RESEARCH AND WORK REQUIRED AS A BASIS FOR THE PROTECTION, MANAGEMENT AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF BIRD POPULATIONS (ART. 10 OF DIRECTIVE 2009/147/EC)

List the most recent activities below. Additional free text information of relevance with reference to the implementation of Art. 10 can be given in Section 1 (main achievements).

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3.1 National bird atlas	
3.1.1 Title	
3.1.2 Year of publication	
3.1.3 Web-link and/or bibliographic reference	URL/text
3.2 National bird monitoring over	erview
Repeat fields 3.2.1 to 3.2.3 if more	e than one overview has been published
3.2.1 Title or similar plus short description	Species covered, main results, etc.
3.2.2 Year of publication	
3.2.3 Web-link and/or bibliographic reference	URL/text
3.3 National bird red list	
3.3.1 Title	
3.3.2 Year of publication	

3.3.3 Web-link and/or bibliographic reference	URL/text	
3.4 Other publications of EU-wide interest (e.g. national overview of action for threatened species)  Repeat fields 3.4.1 to 3.4.3 if more than one; maximum 10 publications		
3.4.1 Title or similar plus short description	Species covered, main results etc.	
3.4.2 Year of publication		
3.4.3 Web-link and/or bibliographic reference	URL/text	

## 4 Non-native bird species (Art. 11 of directive 2009/147/EC)

Report on bird species that do not naturally occur in the wild in the European territory of the Member States and for which introduction has taken place during the reporting period. Repeat fields 4.1 to 4.5 for each species reported as needed.

4.1 Species scientific name	
4.2 Subspecific unit	Where relevant
4.3 Main contents of legal decision for introduction	Free text; to include justification, number of individuals and duration of any authorisation
4.4 Consultation with the Commission	Date
4.5 Additional information	Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under fields 4.1–4.4
Optional	Free text

# PART B - BIRD SPECIES' STATUS AND TRENDS REPORT FORMAT

1 SPECIES INFORMATION	
1.1 Member State	Use code according to the list in the Reference portal
1.2 Species code	Select code from bird species checklist in the Reference portal
1.3 EURING code	Select code from bird species checklist in the Reference portal
1.4 Species scientific name	Select species from bird species checklist in the Reference portal
1.5 Subspecific population	Where relevant, select the distinct population (according to bird species checklist in the Reference portal)

1.6 Alternative species scientific name	Scientific name used at the national level, if different to 1.4
Optional	
1.7 Common name	In national language
Optional	

2 SEASON	
2.1 Season	Select season in which the data you are reporting were collected: Breeding / Winter / Passage (as identified in the bird species checklist)
2.2 First time reporting	Please indicate if this is the first reporting round for this species (excluding situations involving a change to species name or code between reporting periods)  YES  NO
2.3 Additional information	Please indicate the nature of the first-time reporting. Any other additional information is optional.

3 POPULATION SIZ	Æ		
3.1 Year or period	Year or period wh	Year or period when population size was last determined	
3.2 Population size	a) Unit	Breeding pairs / individuals / other (according to bird species checklist in the Reference portal)	
	b) Minimum	Number (raw, i.e. not rounded). Provide either interval (b, c) and/or best single value (d)	
	c) Maximum	Number (raw, i.e. not rounded). Provide either interval (b, c) and/or best single value (d)	
	d) Best single value	Number (raw, i.e. not rounded). Provide either interval (b, c) and/or best single value (d)	
3.3 Type of estimate	Best estimate / mu	llti-year mean / 95% confidence interval / minimum	
3.4 Population size	Select one of the fe	ollowing methods:	
Method used	<ul> <li>a) Complete survey or a statistically robust estimate</li> <li>b) Based mainly on extrapolation from a limited amount of data</li> <li>c) Based mainly on expert opinion with very limited data</li> <li>d) Insufficient or no data available</li> </ul>		
3.5 Sources	Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.  Free text		
3.6 Change and reason for change (since previous report)	Is there a change between reporting periods? If yes, more than 1 option b) to f) can be chosen a) no, there is no change b) yes, due to genuine change c) yes, due to improved knowledge/more accurate data d) yes, due to the use of different method e) yes, but nature of change is unknown f) yes, due to other reasons  The change is mainly due to (select one of the reasons below): a) genuine change b) improved knowledge or more accurate data c) the use of a different method d) unknown e) other reasons		
3.7 Additional information  Optional	Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under fields 3.1–3.6 Free text		

4 POPULATION TRI	END		
4.1 Short-term trend (last 12 years)			
4.1.1 Short-term trend Period	Rolling 12-year time window or period as close as possible to that, e.g. for the reporting period 2019-2024 this is 2013-2024		
4.1.2 Short-term trend Direction	Select one of the following:  a) stable b) fluctuating c) increasing d) decreasing e) uncertain f) unknown		
4.1.3 Short-term trend Magnitude	a) Minimum	Percentage change over period indicated in the field 4.1.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value (c)	
	b) Maximum	Percentage change over period indicated in the field 4.1.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value (c)	
	c) Best single value	Percentage change over period indicated in the field 4.1.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value (c)	
4.1.4 Short-term	Select one of the	e following methods:	
Method used	<ul> <li>a) Complete survey or a statistically robust estimate</li> <li>b) Based mainly on extrapolation from a limited amount of data</li> <li>c) Based mainly on expert opinion with very limited data</li> </ul>		
4.1.5 Sources	d) Insufficient or no data available  Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.  Free text.		
4.2 Long-term trend (sin	nce ca. 1980)		
4.2.1 Long-term trend Period	Period from around 1980 to the end of the reporting period		
4.2.2 Long-term trend Direction	Select one of the following:  a) stable b) fluctuating c) increasing d) decreasing e) uncertain f) unknown		
4.2.3 Long-term trend Magnitude	a) Minimum	Percentage change over period indicated in the field 4.2.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value (c)	

	b) Maximum	Percentage change over period indicated in the field 4.2.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value (c)
	c) Best single value	Percentage change over period indicated in the field 4.2.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value (c)
4.2.4 Long-term trend Method used	Select one of the following methods:  a) Complete survey or a statistically robust estimate b) Based mainly on extrapolation from a limited amount of data c) Based mainly on expert opinion with very limited data d) Insufficient or no data available	
4.2.5 Sources	Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.  Free text	
4.3 Additional information  Optional	Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under sections 4.1 and 4.2 Free text	

5 Breeding distribution map and size			
5.1 Sensitive species	The spatial information provided relates to a species (or subspecific population) to be treated as 'sensitive'  □ YES □ NO		
5.2 Year or period	Year or period when breeding distribution was last determined		
5.3 Breeding distribution map	Submit a map together with relevant metadata following the technical specifications in the Explanatory Notes. The standard for species distribution is 10x10km ETRS 89 grid cells, LAEA (EPSG:3035) projection.		
5.4 Breeding distribution size	Total surface area of the breeding distribution in km <sup>2</sup>		
5.5 Breeding distribution Method used	Select one of the following methods:  a) Complete survey or a statistically robust estimate b) Based mainly on extrapolation from a limited amount of data c) Based mainly on expert opinion with very limited data d) Insufficient or no data available		
5.6 Additional maps  Optional	MS can submit an additional map, deviating from the standard submission under field 5.3. and/or a range map		
5.7 Sources	Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.		
5.8 Additional information	Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under fields 5.1–5.7		
Optional	Free text		

6 BREEDING DISTR	IBUTION TREN	D
6.1 Short-term trend (las	st 12 years)	
6.1.1 Short-term trend Period	Rolling 12-year time window or period as close as possible to that, e.g. for the reporting period 2019-2024 this is 2013-2024	
6.1.2 Short-term trend Direction	Select one of the following:  a) stable b) fluctuating c) increasing d) decreasing e) uncertain f) unknown	
6.1.3 Short-term trend Magnitude	a) Minimum  Percentage change over period indicated in the field 6.1.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value (c)  b) Maximum  Percentage change over period indicated in the field 6.1.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value (c)	
	c) Best single value	Percentage change over period indicated in the field 6.1.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value (c)
6.1.4 Short-term trend Method used	Select one of the following methods:  a) Complete survey or a statistically robust estimate b) Based mainly on extrapolation from a limited amount of data c) Based mainly on expert opinion with very limited data d) Insufficient or no data available	
6.1.5 Sources	Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.  Free text	
6.2 Long-term trend (sin	ce ca. 1980)	
6.2.1 Long-term trend Period	Period from around 1980 to the end of the reporting period	
6.2.2 Long-term trend Direction	Select one of the following:  a) stable b) fluctuating c) increasing d) decreasing e) uncertain f) unknown	
6.2.3 Long-term trend Magnitude	a) Minimum	Percentage change over period indicated in the field 6.2.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value (c)
	b) Maximum	Percentage change over period indicated in the field 6.2.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value (c)

	c) Best single value	Percentage change over period indicated in the field 6.2.1. Provide either interval (a, b) and/or best single value(c)
6.2.4 Long-term trend Method used	Select one of the following methods:  a) Complete survey or a statistically robust estimate b) Based mainly on extrapolation from a limited amount of data c) Based mainly on expert opinion with very limited data d) Insufficient or no data available	
6.2.5 Sources	Give bibliographic references, link to Internet sites, expert contact details, etc.  Free text	
6.3 Additional information  Optional	Other relevant ing under sections 6. Free text	formation, complementary to the data requested 1 and 6.2.

7 MAIN PRESSURES AND THREATS			
7.1 Characterisation of	pressures		
a) Pressure	List a maximum of 20 pressures using the code-list provided in the Reference portal and fill b) to g) for each pressure.		
b) Timing	<ul> <li>□ in the past but now suspended due to measures</li> <li>□ ongoing</li> <li>□ ongoing and likely to be in the future</li> <li>□ only in future</li> </ul>		
c) Scope (proportion of population affected)	Fill in for 'ongoing' and 'ongoing and likely to be in the future':  □ whole >90% □ majority 50 − 90% □ minority <50%		
d) Influence (on population or habitat of the species)	Fill in for 'ongoing' and 'ongoing and likely to be in the future'.  ☐ High influence ☐ Medium influence ☐ Low influence		
e) Location (where the pressure is primarily operating)	<ul> <li>☐ Inside the Member State</li> <li>☐ Elsewhere in the EU</li> <li>☐ Outside EU</li> <li>☐ Both inside and outside EU</li> <li>☐ Unknown</li> </ul>		
f) Invasive alien species of Union concern	Fill where pressure on 'IAS of Union concern' is selected. Please select from relevant species-list (see Article 12 reference portal)		
g) Other invasive alien species  Optional	of Union concern' is selected. Please select from EASIN database		

7.2 Methods used	Select one of the following methods:	
Optional	<ul> <li>a) Complete survey or a statistically robust estimate</li> <li>b) Based mainly on extrapolation from a limited amount of data</li> <li>c) Based mainly on expert opinion with very limited data</li> <li>d) Insufficient or no data available</li> </ul>	
7.3 Sources of information	If available, provide sources of information (URL, metadata) supporting evidence of pressures	
Optional		
7.4 Additional information	Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under field 7.1	
Optional	Free text	

3 CONSERVATION MEASURES		
8.1 Status of measures	Are measures needed?	
	□ YES □ NO	
	If YES, indicate the status of measures (select only one option):	
	<ul> <li>a) Measures identified, but none yet taken</li> <li>b) Measures needed but cannot be identified</li> <li>c) Part of measures identified have been taken</li> <li>d) Most/all of measures identified have been taken</li> </ul>	
8.2 Scope of measures taken	Fill if "c) Part of measures identified have been taken" or "d) Most/all of measures identified have been taken" (8.1) was selected:	
	Do these impact (select only one option)	
	a) <50% b) 50 – 90% or c) >90% of the population	
8.3 Main purpose of the measures taken	A. Indicate the main purpose(s) of measures taken:	
	a) Maintain the current distribution, population and/or habitat for the species	
	<ul> <li>b) Expand the current distribution of the species</li> <li>c) Increase the population size and/or improve population dynamics (improve reproduction success, reduce mortality, improve age/sex structure)</li> <li>d) Restore the habitat of the species</li> </ul>	
	B. Where more than one option is selected above, indicate here the main (primary) purpose (i.e. select only one option):	
	Maintain current state / expand range / increase, improve population / restore habitat	

8.4 Location of the measures	Indicate the location of measures taken (indicate only one option):  a) Only inside Natura 2000 b) Both inside and outside Natura 2000 c) Only outside Natura 2000	
8.5 Response to the measures (when the measures start to neutralize the pressure(s) and produce positive effects)	Indicate the time frame of the response to measures (with regard to the main purpose indicated in field 8.3) - (indicate only one option):  a) Short-term response (within the current reporting period, e.g. 2019–2024)  b) Medium-term response (within the next two reporting periods, e.g. 2025–2036)  c) Long-term response (after e.g. 2036)	
8.6 List of main conservation measures	List a maximum of 20 measures using the code list provided in the Article 12 reference portal	
8.7 Additional information  Optional	Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under fields $8.1-8.6$ Free text	

# 9 NATURA 2000 (SPECIAL PROTECTION AREAS (SPAS)) COVERAGE

To be reported for all Annex I species and non-Annex I species of Directive 2009/147/EC triggering Special Protection Area (SPA) classification (the bird species checklist in the Reference portal should be used)

9.1 Population size inside the Natura 2000 (Special Protection Area (SPA)) network (on national level including all sites where the species is present)	a) Unit	Use same unit as in field 3.2.a)	
	b) Minimum	Number (raw, i.e. not rounded). Provide either interval (b, c) and/or best single value (d)	
	c) Maximum	Number (raw, i.e. not rounded). Provide either interval (b, c) and/or best single value (d)	
	d) Best single value	Number (raw, i.e. not rounded). Provide either interval (b, c) and/or best single value (d)	
9.2 Type of estimate	Best estimate / m	Best estimate / multi-year mean / 95% confidence interval / minimum	
9.3 Population size inside the network Method used	Select one of the following methods:  a) Complete survey or a statistically robust estimate b) Based mainly on extrapolation from a limited amount of data c) Based mainly on expert opinion with very limited data d) Insufficient or no data available		
9.4 Short-term trend of population size within the network Direction	Short-term trend of population size within the network over the period indicated in field 4.1.1. Select one of the following:  a) stable b) fluctuating c) increasing d) decreasing e) uncertain f) unknown		

9.5 Short-term trend of population size within the network Method used	Select one of the following methods:  a) Complete survey or a statistically robust estimate b) Based mainly on extrapolation from a limited amount of data c) Based mainly on expert opinion with very limited data d) Insufficient or no data available	
9.6 Additional information  Optional	Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under fields 9.1–9.5  Free text	

#### 10 PROGRESS IN WORK RELATED TO INTERNATIONAL SPECIES ACTION PLANS (SAPS), MANAGEMENT PLANS (MPS) AND BRIEF MANAGEMENT STATEMENTS (BMSs) To be filled at species / subspecies level **10.1 Type of** SAP/MP/BMS (the list of species having a SAP/MP/BMS in the international plan Reference portal should be used), multiple plans can be selected) 10.2 Has a national plan YES linked to the NO international Species Action Plan (SAP) / **Management Plan (MP)** / Brief Management Statement (BMS) been adopted? 10.3 Assessment of the Indicate if species' national status (with respect to numbers and range) is effectiveness of Species (select only one option): **Action Plans (SAPs)** a) moving towards the plan's aim/objective(s) for globally threatened b) unchanged species c) further deteriorating away from the plan's aim/objective(s) 10.4 Assessment of the Indicate if species' national status (with respect to numbers and range) is (select only one option): effectiveness of **Management Plans** a) improving (MPs) for huntable b) unchanged species in non-Secure c) further deteriorating status 10.5 Sources of further Web-links (e.g. for national plan), published reports, etc. information Free text

11 Information related to Annex II species of directive 2009/147/EC							
To be filled at species / subspecies level							
11.1 Is the species nationally hunted?	Is the species nationally hunted?  ☐ YES ☐ NO  If yes, then continue filling in fields 11.2 to 11.4.						
11.2 Hunting bag	Provide national hunting bag statistics for the reporting period						
	a) Unit	Individuals					
	b) Season (optional)	Indicate if this information relates to a Winter or Passage population (where not filled it is assumed that Winter and Passage populations are not distinguished)					
	c) Statistics / numbers (in individuals)	Provide statistics per hunting season or per year (where season is not used) over the reporting period.					
		Season / year I	Season / year 2	Season/year 3	Season / year 4	Season/year 5	Season / year 6
	Min. (raw, i.e. not rounded)						
	Max. (raw, i.e. not rounded)						
	Unknown						
11.3 Hunting bag Method used	Select one of the following methods:  a) Complete survey or a statistically robust estimate b) Based mainly on extrapolation from a limited amount of data c) Based mainly on expert opinion with very limited data d) Insufficient or no data available						
11.4 Additional information  Optional	Other relevant information, complementary to the data requested under fields 11.1–11.3  Free text						