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**GAME AND WILD BIRDS (GENERAL GAME RESERVES) ORDER 2009**

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The Chief Officer makes the following Order in exercise of the power under section 31(1) of the Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008(a):

**Citation and commencement**

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the Game and Wild Birds (General Game Reserves) Order 2009 and comes into force on the day that it is published in the Gazette.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Order-

“the Akrotiri SBA map” is the map labelled “SBA/AOA/GGR/TGR/AKR(09)”, which is available for public inspection during normal working hours at the Area Office Akrotiri; and

“the Dhekelia SBA map” is the map labelled “SBA/AOD/GGR/TGR/DHK(09)”, which is available for public inspection during normal working hours at the Area Office Dhekelia.

**General game reserves**

3. The following areas are designated as general game reserves under section 31(1) of the Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008:

- (a) the area coloured green on the Akrotiri SBA map (the “South-East general game reserve”),
- (b) the area coloured yellow on the Akrotiri SBA map (the “Episkopi general game reserve”),
- (c) the area coloured purple on the Akrotiri SBA map (the “North-West general game reserve”),
- (d) the area coloured blue on the Akrotiri SBA map (the “Evdhimou general game reserve”), and
- (e) the area coloured blue on the Dhekelia SBA map (the “Dhekelia general game reserve”).

**Revocation**

4. Public instruments 25/62, 58/69, 16/76, 81/79, 10/85, 61/85, 41/88, 82/91, 30/93, 54/97, 97/99, 98/99 and 44/00 are revoked.

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Dated this 11th day of August 2009.

(SBA/AG/2/EN/243/1)

J. Gondelle,  
Acting Chief Officer,  
Sovereign Base Areas.

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**Notes**

(a) Ordinance 21/08.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

### **(This note is not part of the Order)**

1. This explanatory note relates to the Game and Wild Birds (General Game Reserves) Order 2009 (the “Order”). It has been prepared by the Office of the Attorney General and Legal Adviser in order to assist the reader of the Order, and does not form part of the Order.
2. The Order designates five areas as general game reserves under section 31(1) of the Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008, four in the Western Sovereign Base Area (the “WSBA”) and one in the Eastern Sovereign Base Area (the “ESBA”). It does not change the boundaries of any area in which hunting is allowed, nor the number of days in which hunting is allowed. Rather, it rationalises the previous system and brings all the general game reserves created by order (as distinct from those areas that are general game reserves by virtue of section 31(2) of the 2008 Ordinance) together in a single order. The Order revokes 13 orders that either created separate general game reserves, or amended the boundaries of such reserves, which were preserved by a transitional provision at section 62 of the 2008 Ordinance. It also makes general game reserves out of two areas in the WSBA which had, in previous years, been designated as temporary game reserves for the entire duration of the game season, meaning that hunting was outlawed throughout the year in those areas.
3. The Dhekelia general game reserve comprises all the ESBA except for two areas, one of which is informally known as the “Ormidhia-Avgorou-Akhna-Xylotymbou hunting area” and the other of which is informally known as the “Xylotymbou-Ormidhia hunting area”. These two areas may also be designated, by a relevant order, as temporary game reserves, for any part of any game season and are shown on the Dhekelia SBA map as the areas that are not coloured. The Dhekelia SBA map is available for public inspection in the Dhekelia Area Office during normal working hours.
4. The map showing the location of the general game reserves in the WSBA is available for public inspection in the Akrotiri Area Office during normal working hours. That map also shows the location of areas in the WSBA which may be designated, by a relevant order, as temporary game reserves for any part of any game season.
5. Although this Order has no expiry date, it can be revoked by the Chief Officer at any time.