
GAME AND WILD BIRDS (HUNTING)
REGULATIONS 2017

The Chief Officer makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers in section 17(1) of the Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008(a)

Citation, commencement and expiry

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Game and Wild Birds (Hunting) Regulations 2017.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 19 August 2017.

(3) These Regulations expire on 1 March 2018.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations the “Summer-Autumn Game Season 17” and “Autumn-Winter Game Season 17-18” mean the game seasons prescribed in the Game and Wild Birds (Game Seasons) Order 2017(b).

Maximum number of certain species

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the number of a species of game which may be hunted or possessed on any day on which hunting is permitted for that species is unlimited.

(2) The maximum number of the following species of game which may be hunted or possessed on any day by a person is—

- (a) 1 hare (*Lepus europaeus*);
- (b) 4 chukars (*Alectoris chukar*);
- (c) 1 frankolin (*Frankolinus francolinus*).

Permitted periods for hunting for certain species

4. A person must not shoot, kill, capture or pursue game at any time except,—

(a) Ordinance 21/2008 which is amended. Section 17 was amended by Ordinance 8/2013.

(b) P.I. 11/2017.

- (a) during the Summer-Autumn Game Season 17, a species specified in column 1 of the table in Schedule 1 within the period specified in the corresponding row of column 2 of that table; and
- (b) during the Autumn-Winter Game Season 17-18, a species specified in column 1 of the table in Schedule 2 within the period, and on the days, specified in the corresponding row of column 2 of that table.

Hunting accompanied by dogs

5. A person who shoots, kills, captures or pursues game must not be accompanied by a dog except,—

- (a) during the Summer-Autumn Game Season 17, within the boundaries of Kouris River in the Akrotiri Sovereign Base Area; and
- (b) during the Autumn-Winter Game Season 17-18, on any Wednesday or Sunday from 5 November 2017 to 31 December 2017 (both dates included).

Dated this 9 day of August 2017.

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SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 4(a)

Hunting of game during the Summer-Autumn Game Season 17

<i>Column 1</i> Species	<i>Column 2</i> Hunting period (both dates included)
<i>Coturnix coturnix</i> Quail	20/08/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Columba livia</i> Rock dove	20/08/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Columba palumbus</i> Woodpigeon	20/08/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Columba oenas</i> Stock dove	20/08/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Streptopelia turtur</i> Turtle dove	20/08/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i> Collared dove	20/08/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Alauda arvensis</i> Skylark	20/08/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Pica pica</i> Magpie	20/08/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Corvus monedula</i> Jackdaw	20/08/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Corvus corone cornix</i> Hooded crow	20/08/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Turdus merula</i> Blackbird	01/10/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Turdus pilaris</i> Fieldfare	01/10/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Turdus philomelos</i> Song thrush	01/10/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Turdus iliacus</i> Redwing	01/10/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Turdus viscivorus</i> Mistle thrush	01/10/2017 – 03/11/2017
<i>Scalopax rusticola</i> Woodcock	01/10/2017 – 03/11/2017

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 4(b)

Hunting of game during the Autumn-Winter Game Season 17-18

<i>Column 1</i> Species	<i>Column 2</i> Hunting period (both dates included)
<i>Lepus europaeus</i> Hare	05/11/2017 - 31/12/2017 on Wednesdays and Sundays only
<i>Alectoris chukar</i> Chukar	05/11/2017 - 31/12/2017 on Wednesdays and Sundays only
<i>Francolinus francolinus</i> Francolin	05/11/2017 - 31/12/2017 on Wednesdays and Sundays only
<i>Anas Penelope</i> Wigeon	05/11/2017 - 11/02/2018
<i>Anas strepera</i> Gadwall	05/11/2017 - 03/02/2018
<i>Anas crecca</i> Teal	05/11/2017 - 03/02/2018
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i> Mallard	05/11/2017 - 03/02/2018
<i>Anas acuta</i> Pintail	05/11/2017 - 11/02/2018
<i>Anas querquedula</i> Garganey	05/11/2017 - 11/02/2018
<i>Anas clypeata</i> Shoveler	05/11/2017 - 11/02/2018
<i>Aythya ferina</i> Pochard	05/11/2017 - 03/02/2018
<i>Aythya fuligula</i> Tufted duck	05/11/2017 - 11/02/2018
<i>Anser anser</i> Greylag goose	05/11/2017 - 11/02/2018
<i>Anser albifrons</i> Great white-fronted goose	05/11/2017 - 11/02/2018
<i>Phasianus colchicus</i> Pheasant	05/11/2017 - 31/12/2017
<i>Coturnix coturnix</i> Quail	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018

<i>Fulica atra</i> Coot	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018
<i>Lymnocyptes minimus</i> Jack snipe	05/11/2017 - 11/02/2018
<i>Gallinago gallinago</i> Snipe	05/11/2017 - 11/02/2018
<i>Scolopax rusticola</i> Woodcock	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018
<i>Columba livia</i> Rock dove	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018
<i>Columba palumbus</i> Woodpigeon	05/11/2017 - 25/02/2018
<i>Columba oenas</i> Stock dove	05/11/2017 - 25/02/2018
<i>Streptopelia turtur</i> Turtle dove	05/11/2017 - 26/02/2018
<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i> Collared dove	05/11/2017 - 31/12/2017
<i>Alauda arvensis</i> Skylark	05/11/2017 - 11/02/2018
<i>Turdus merula</i> Blackbird	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018
<i>Turdus pilaris</i> Fieldfare	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018
<i>Turdus philomelos</i> Song thrush	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018
<i>Turdus iliacus</i> Redwing	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018
<i>Turdus viscivorus</i> Mistle thrush	05/11/2017 - 25/02/2018
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i> Starling	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018
<i>Pica pica</i> Magpie	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018
<i>Corvus monedula</i> Jackdaw	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018
<i>Corvus corone cornix</i> Hooded crow	05/11/2017 - 28/02/2018

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

1. This explanatory note relates to the Game and Wild Birds (Hunting) Regulations 2017. It has been prepared by the Office of the Attorney General and Legal Adviser in order to assist the reader of the Regulations, and does not form part of the Regulations.
2. Regulation 4, together with the two Schedules, specifies the permitted periods for hunting particular species of game within each of the two game seasons. The two game seasons are prescribed by the Game and Wild Birds (Game Seasons) Order 2017.
3. Regulation 5, addressing hunting accompanied by dogs, applies to any species of game. During the Summer-Autumn Game Season 17 hunters may only use dogs within the boundaries of Kouris River in the Akrotiri Sovereign Base Area. During the Autumn-Winter Game Season 17-18 dogs may only be used on the prescribed days during the prescribed period.
4. The restrictions in these Regulations apply in addition to the restrictions imposed by the Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008 (the “2008 Ordinance”) and any other public instruments made under it. It would not be lawful to hunt a species of game, even during a prescribed period, if the hunting contravenes a provision of the 2008 Ordinance or a relevant public instrument (for example, a provision relating to the method of killing, or the prohibition on hunting between sunset and sunrise).

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