
**GAME AND WILD BIRDS (HUNTING)
REGULATIONS 2021**

The Chief Officer makes the following Regulations in exercise of the power 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 2021.
- (2) These Regulations come into force on 21 August 2021.
- (3) These Regulations expire on 1 March 2022.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

- (a) “the Summer-Autumn Game Season 21” means the period from 21 August 2021 to 29 October 2021 (both dates included), except the period from 23 August 2021 to 28 August 2021 (both dates included) and the period from 30 August 2021 to 31 August 2021 (both dates included);
- (b) “the Autumn-Winter Game Season 21-22” means the period from 31 October 2021 to 28 February 2022 (both dates included), except 25 December 2021 and the period from 30 December 2021 to 1 January 2022 (both dates included).

Maximum number of game to be hunted or possessed

3.—(1) On any day, no holder of a game licence may hunt or possess—

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

(2) Subject to subparagraph (3), no holder of a game licence may hunt or possess—

- (a) more than 3 turtle doves (*Streptopelia turtur*) on any one day; and
- (b) more than 12 turtle doves during the period from 22 August 2021 to 30 September 2021 (both dates included).

(3) No holder of a game licence may hunt or possess a turtle dove (*Streptopelia turtur*) unless—

- (a) the total number of turtle doves (*Streptopelia turtur*) killed within the Republic and the Sovereign Base Areas has not exceeded 15756 birds; and

(a) Ordinance 21/2008. Section 17 was amended by Ordinances 8/2013 and 10/2018. There are other amendments to Ordinance 21/2008 which are not relevant to these Regulations..

- (b) the holder of the game licence has complied with all requirements to report the hunting or possession of turtle doves (*Streptopelia turtur*) as imposed by the Republic and as amended from time to time.

Permitted periods for hunting for certain species

4.—(1) During the Summer-Autumn Game Season 21, the holder of a game licence must not shoot, kill, capture or pursue a species specified in column 1 of the table in Schedule 1 except within the period, and on the days, specified in the corresponding row of column 2 of that table.

(2) During the Autumn-Winter Game Season 21-22, the holder of a game licence must not shoot, kill, capture or pursue a species specified in column 1 of the table in Schedule 2 except within the period, and on the days, specified in the corresponding row of column 2 of that table.

Hunting accompanied by dogs

5.—(1) The holder of a game licence who shoots, kills, captures or pursues game must not be accompanied by a dog except—

- (a) during the Summer-Autumn Game Season 21, within the areas in the Akrotiri Sovereign Base Area marked as follows on the maps in Schedule 3 (being plots of land in the bed of the Kouris river), subject to the provisions of subsection (2)—
 - (i) the plots marked 445 and 516 on the map in Part 1 of Schedule 3;
 - (ii) the plot marked 205 on the map in Part 2 of Schedule 3;
 - (iii) the plot marked 132 on the map in Part 3 of Schedule 3;
- (b) during the Summer-Autumn Game Season 21, as from 1 October 2021, within any part of the Dhekelia Sovereign Base Area that is neither a general game reserve, under the Game and Wild Birds (General Game Reserves) Order 2019(a), nor a temporary game reserve under the Game and Wild Birds (Temporary Game Reserves) Order 2021 (b);
- (c) during the Autumn-Winter Game Season 21-22, on any Wednesday or Sunday from 31 October 2021 to 29 December 2021 (both dates included), within any part of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia that is neither a general game reserve, under the Game and Wild Birds (General Game Reserves) Order 2019, nor a temporary game reserve under the Game and Wild Birds (Temporary Game Reserves) Order 2021; or
- (d) during the Autumn-Winter Game Season 21-22, on any Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday or Saturday, from 1 November 2021 to 28 December 2021 (both dates included), except Saturday 25 December 2021, and on any day from 2 January 2022 to 28 February 2022, within any part of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia that is neither a general game reserve, under the Game and Wild Birds (General Game Reserves) Order 2019, nor a temporary game reserve under the Game and Wild Birds (Temporary Game Reserves) Order 2021.

(2) A person carrying out any activities to which subsection (1)(a) applies must not be accompanied by more than 1 hunting dog.

(3) A person carrying out any activities to which subsection (1)(c) applies must not be accompanied by more than 4 hunting dogs.

(4) A person carrying out any activities to which subsections (1)(b) or (1)(d) must not be accompanied by more than 1 hunting dog, subject to the following conditions—

- (a) the dog is used solely for the hunting of game of the *Turdus* species;
- (b) the dog is used solely for retrieval purposes; and
- (c) the hunting is stationary.

(a) P.I. 11/2019.
(b) P.I. 14/2021

Dated this 13th day of August 2021.

M.J. Smith,
Chief Officer,
Sovereign Base Areas.

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 4(1)

Hunting of game during the Summer-Autumn Game Season 21

<i>Column 1</i> <i>Species</i>	<i>Column 2</i> <i>Hunting period (both dates included)</i>
<i>Coturnix coturnix</i> Quail	22/08/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Columba livia</i> Rock dove	22/08/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Columba palumbus</i> Woodpigeon	22/08/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Columba oenas</i> Stock dove	22/08/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Streptopelia turtur</i> Turtle dove	22/08/2021 – 30/09/2021
<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i> Collared dove	22/08/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Alauda arvensis</i> Skylark	22/08/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Pica pica</i> Magpie	22/08/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Corvus monedula</i> Jackdaw	22/08/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Corvus corone cornix</i> Hooded crow	22/08/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Turdus merula</i> Blackbird	1/10/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Turdus pilaris</i> Fieldfare	1/10/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Turdus philomelos</i> Song thrush	1/10/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Turdus iliacus</i> Redwing	1/10/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Turdus viscivorus</i> Mistle thrush	1/10/2021 – 29/10/2021
<i>Scolopax rusticola</i> Woodcock	1/10/2021 – 29/10/2021

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 4(2)

Hunting of game during the Autumn-Winter Game Season 21-22

<i>Column 1</i> <i>Species</i>	<i>Column 2</i> <i>Hunting period (both dates included)</i>
<i>Lepus europaeus</i> Hare	31/10/2021 – 29/12/2021 on Wednesdays and Sundays only
<i>Alectoris chukar</i> Chukar	31/10/2021 – 29/12/2021 on Wednesdays and Sundays only
<i>Francolinus francolinus</i> Francolin	31/10/2021 – 29/12/2021 on Wednesdays and Sundays only
<i>Anas Penelope</i> Wigeon	31/10/2021 – 10/02/2022
<i>Anas strepera</i> Gadwall	31/10/2021 – 3/02/2022
<i>Anas crecca</i> Teal	31/10/2021 – 3/02/2022
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i> Mallard	31/10/2021 – 3/02/2022
<i>Anas acuta</i> Pintail	31/10/2021 – 10/02/2022
<i>Anas querquedula</i> Garganey	31/10/2021 – 10/02/2022
<i>Anas clypeata</i> Shoveler	31/10/2021 – 10/02/2022
<i>Aythya ferina</i> Pochard	31/10/2021 – 3/02/2022
<i>Aythya fuligula</i> Tufted duck	31/10/2021 – 10/02/2022
<i>Anser anser</i> Greylag goose	31/10/2021 – 10/02/2022
<i>Anser albifrons</i> Great white-fronted goose	31/10/2021 – 10/02/2022
<i>Phasianus colchicus</i> Pheasant	31/10/2021 – 29/12/2021
<i>Coturnix coturnix</i> Quail	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022

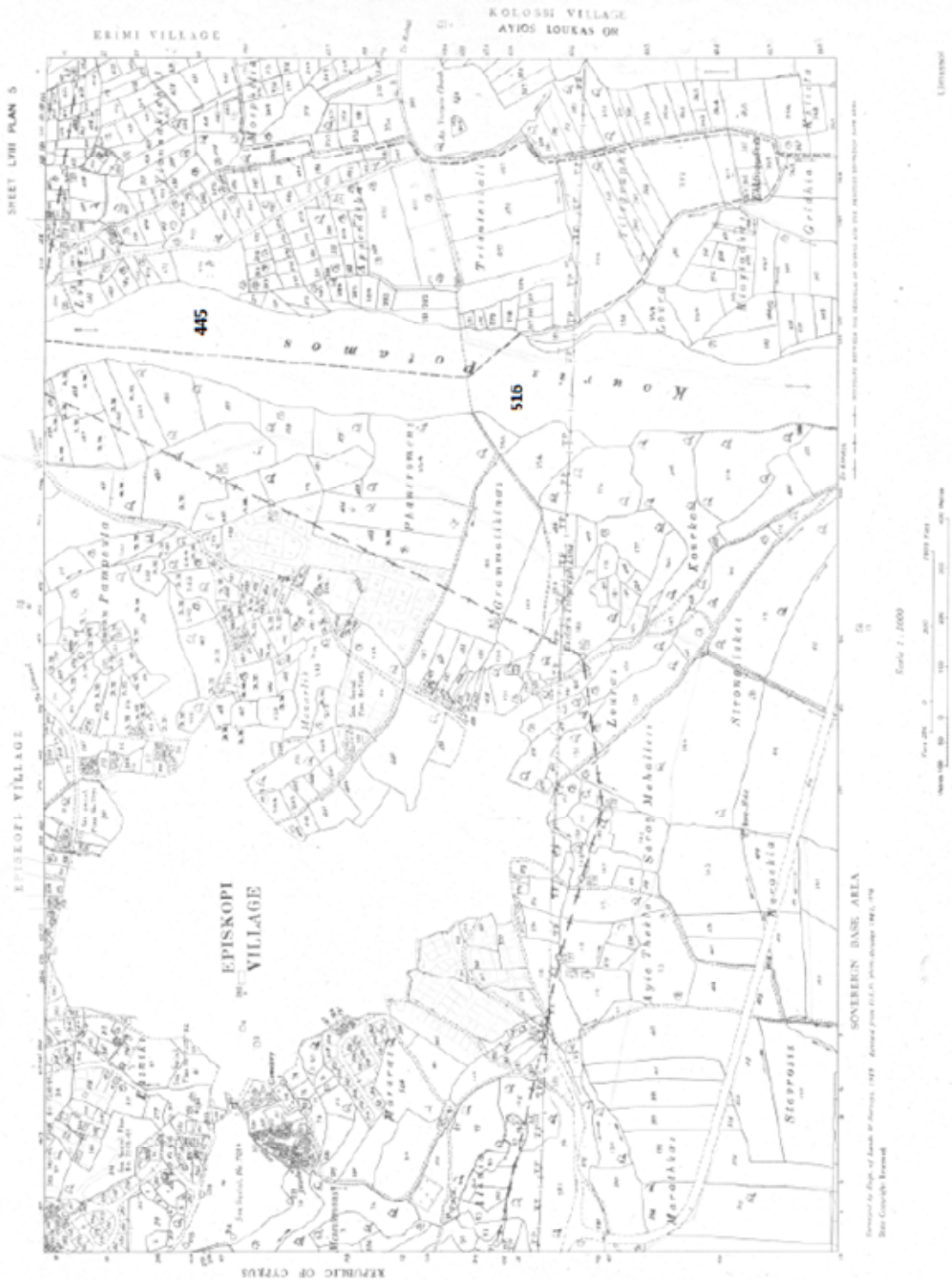
<i>Fulica atra</i> Coot	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022
<i>Lymnocyptes minimus</i> Jack snipe	31/10/2021 – 10/02/2022
<i>Gallinago gallinago</i> Snipe	31/10/2021 – 10/02/2022
<i>Scolopax rusticola</i> Woodcock	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022
<i>Columba livia</i> Rock dove	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022
<i>Columba palumbus</i> Woodpigeon	31/10/2021 – 24/02/2022
<i>Columba oenas</i> Stock dove	31/10/2021 – 24/02/2022
<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i> Collared dove	31/10/2021 – 29/12/2021
<i>Alauda arvensis</i> Skylark	31/10/2021 – 10/02/2022
<i>Turdus merula</i> Blackbird	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022
<i>Turdus pilaris</i> Fieldfare	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022
<i>Turdus philomelos</i> Song thrush	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022
<i>Turdus iliacus</i> Redwing	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022
<i>Turdus viscivorus</i> Mistle thrush	31/10/2021 – 24/02/2022
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i> Starling	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022
<i>Pica pica</i> Magpie	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022
<i>Corvus monedula</i> Jackdaw	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022
<i>Corvus corone cornix</i> Hooded crow	31/10/2021 – 28/02/2022

SCHEDULE 3

Hunting of game accompanied by a dog during the Summer-Autumn Game Season 21

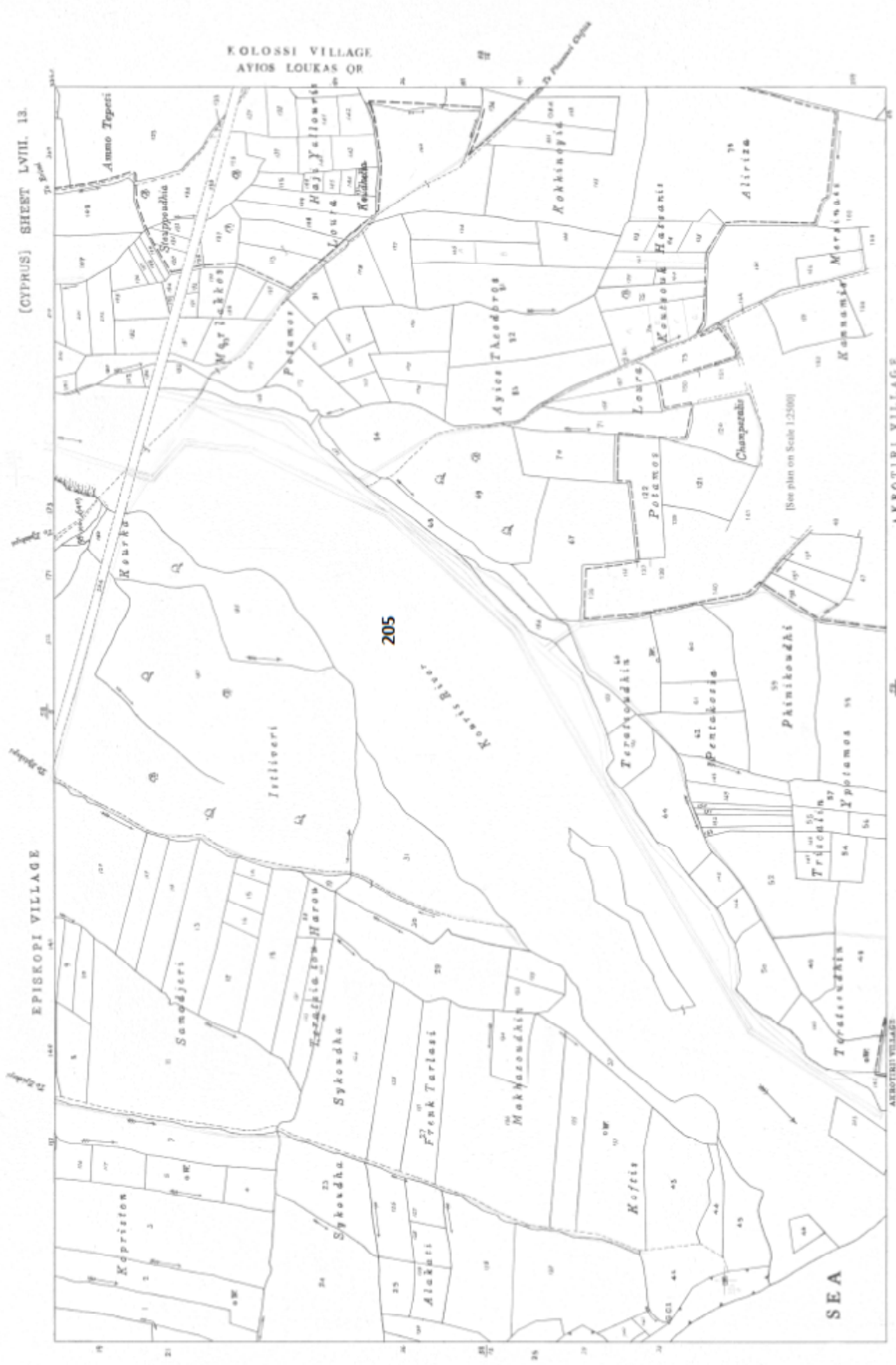
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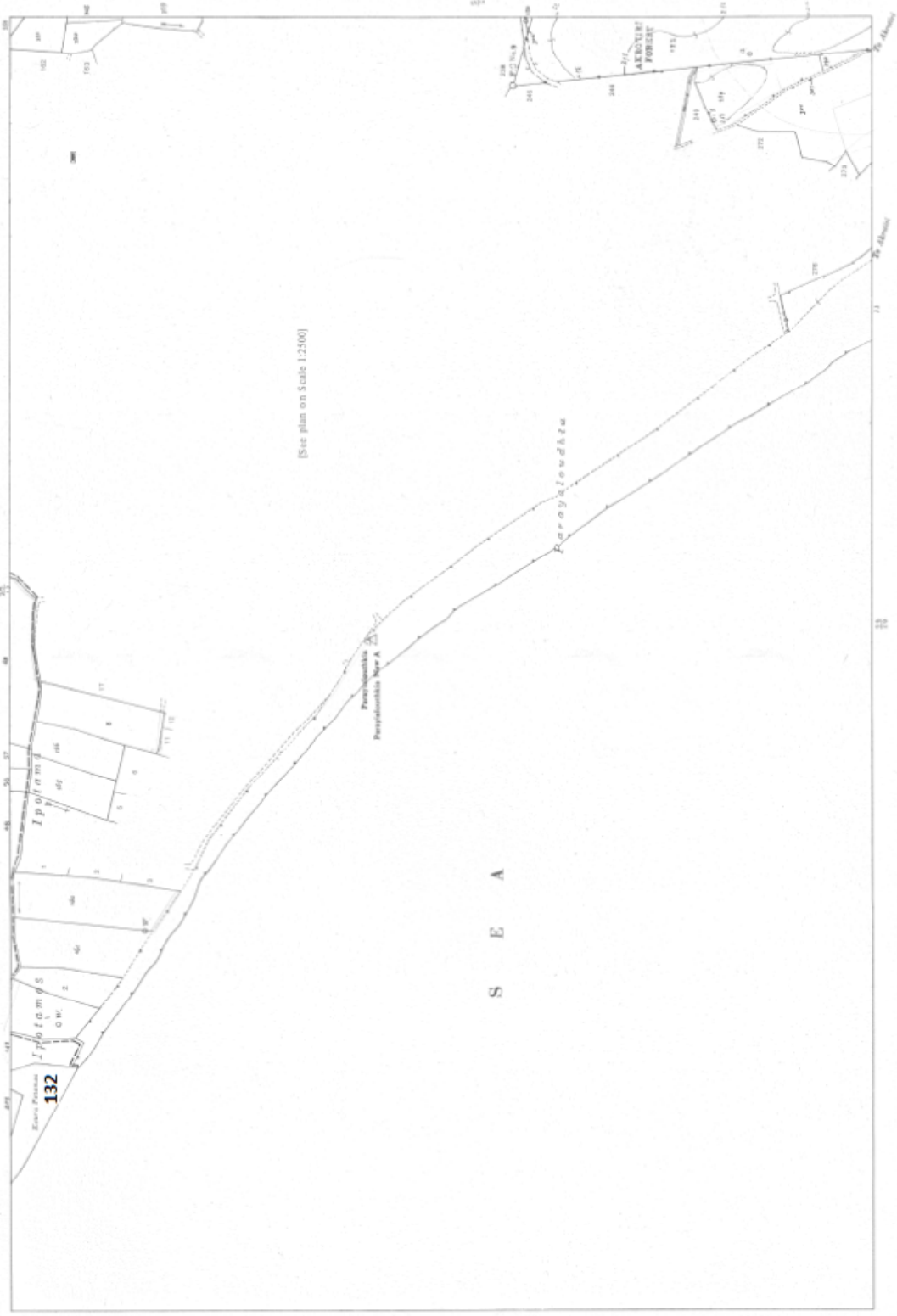
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PART 2

Regulation 5(1)(a)(ii)





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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

- 1.** This explanatory note relates to the Game and Wild Birds (Hunting) Regulations 2021. 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 Schedules 1 and 2, 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 2021.
- 3.** Regulation 5, together with Schedule 3, specifies the number of hunting dogs by which a person may be accompanied within permitted periods during each of the two game seasons in each of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia.
- 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 contravened 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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