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(14)

Licence to permit certain activities for a limited period during the 2023 to 2024 game season that are otherwise prohibited under section 11 of the Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008

This Licence is issued under section 14 of the Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008 (as amended) by the Chief Officer of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia for the purposes of the protection of wild fauna and for research purposes.

This Licence may be revoked at any time.

Definitions

“**Game Season**” means the game season for 2023 to 2024 period prescribed by the Chief Officer in the Game and Wild Birds (Game Season) Order 2023 (P.I 12 of 2023).

“**Laughing Doves**” means the *Streptopelia Senegalensis* species of wild birds.

“**Licensed Hunter**” means a person to whom a game licence has been issued in the Republic of Cyprus under the Game and Wild Birds Law of the Republic (2003-2021) for the Game Season where that game licence remains valid and the person uses the software application (Artemis Cy) of the Republic of Cyprus.

“**Ordinance**” means the Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008 (as amended).

“**Permitted Period**” means the 20th August 2023 to 24th September 2023 (inclusive), from sunrise to sunset.

Application of the Licence

1. This Licence applies to any Licensed Hunter.

Licensed Activities

2. Subject to the terms and conditions set out in this Licence, a Licensed Hunter may pursue, hunt and shoot Laughing Doves and may do so in all areas of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia where hunting is permitted during the Game Season.

Terms and conditions

3. A Licensed Hunter may only pursue, hunt and shoot Laughing Doves during the Permitted Period and in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Licence. In all other respects, the Licensed Hunter must comply with the provisions of the Ordinance.
4. A Licensed Hunter may only pursue, hunt and shoot a maximum of 20 laughing doves per hunting trip, subject to:
 - (a) the Licensed Hunter pursuing, hunting and shooting no more than 50 Laughing Doves for the entire Game Season; and
 - (b) the number of Laughing Doves pursued, hunted and shot, by Licensed Hunters, collectively, does not exceed 30,000 on the island of Cyprus.
5. For the purposes of the activities permitted under this Licence, a Licensed Hunter may only use breech-loading hunting guns that are either single-barrelled and can take only one cartridge in the chamber or are double-barrelled and can take only one cartridge in each chamber.
6. A Licensed Hunter must, at the end of each hunting trip, enter and update entries into the software application (Artemis Cy) of the Games and Fauna Service of the Republic of Cyprus. Such entries must include the number of laughing doves shot by the Licensed Hunter during the hunting trip before the Licensed Hunter travels to another area for hunting.
7. In carrying out the activities permitted under this Licence, a Licensed Hunter must not:

- (a) cause damage to cultivated areas of land (including fields of unharvested cereals, vegetables, orchards, etc.), forests or isolated trees;
- (b) shoot at or destroy nests or eggs of any wild bird including laughing doves; or
- (c) light a fire in any forest or privately-owned land.

Monitoring and checks on compliance with the terms of the Licence

The Sovereign Base Areas police and game wardens will carry out checks and monitor compliance by Licensed Hunters with the terms and conditions of this Licence.

Licence issued by Clare Simpson, Chief Officer of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia.

Clare Elizabeth Simpson
Chief Officer

18th August 2023