



Standing Committee of the Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural habitats

44th meeting (Strasbourg, 2-6 December 2024)

Reporting under Resolution No. 8 (2012) on the conservation status of species and habitats for the period 2019-2024

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INTRODUCTION

- Reporting format and explanatory notes
- Reporting guidelines on concepts and definitions
- Reporting checklist for habitats and species (M. Roekaerts)
- Potential planning



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**REPORTING GUIDELINES - EXPLANATORY
NOTES FOR THE PERIOD 2019-2024**

**IN SUPPORT TO THE REPORTING FORMAT REFERRED
TO IN RESOLUTION No. 8 (2012)**



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**Resolution No. 8 (2012) Reporting Format for the
period 2019-2024**



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**REPORTING GUIDELINES: CONCEPTS
AND DEFINITIONS
REPORTING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF MANAGEMENT, MONITORING AND
REPORTING MEASURES**

Reporting period 2019–2024

CONTEXT

- 3rd meeting Ad hoc WG on reporting (27th June 2023) decided to streamline with the Reporting format under the Art. 17 of the EU Habitats Directive.
- 4th meeting Ad hoc WG on reporting (9th November 2023), a first draft version of the Reporting format for the reporting under Resolution No. 8 (2012) was presented. Modifications in relation to the previous reporting affect to sections: Population size reporting units, short-term trend magnitude, Favourable Reference Values and Pressures and Threats.
Agreement on using the date when Resolution No.8 (2012) came into force as reference date.
- 5th meeting Ad hoc WG on reporting (30th April): decision of the obligatory nature of new or amended fields, with special attention to fields used in the matrix to assess Conservation Status. Based on discussion paper [T-PVS/PA\(2024\)07](#)

The Resolution No. 8 (2012) format for the reporting period 2019-2014 consists of five distinct:

Part A – General report: gives an overview of the implementation and general measures taken under the Bern Convention.

Part B – Reporting format on species, except birds, listed in Resolution No. 6 (1998).

Part C – Assessing conservation status of a species (Species evaluation matrix)

Part D – Reporting format on habitat listed in Resolution No. 4 (1996) with a 1 to 1 relationship with habitat types of the Annex I of the Habitats Directive.

Part E – Assessing conservation status of a habitat type (Habitat evaluation matrix)

PART A: GENERAL INFORMATION

- Summarise the most important achievements on the general implementation of the Recommendation No. 16 (1986) and Resolution No. 5 (1998) on the Emerald Network of Areas of Special Conservation Interest (ASCIs).
- Mainly targeted at the interested public and at informing the Bern Convention Secretariat.
- Information on the Recommendation No. 157: necessary protection and conservation measures taken to preserve the ecological characteristics of Emerald Network sites, including measures to ensure the coherence of the Emerald Network.



PART B/D: REPORTING FORMAT ON SPECIES LISTED IN RES. No. 6/HABITAT LISTED IN RES. No. 4

GENERAL INFORMATION

MAPS

BIOGEOGRAPHICAL AND MARINE REGIONS

RANGE

AREA COVERED BY HABITAT/POPULATION

STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONS/SPECIES HABITAT

MAIN PRESSURES AND THREATS

CONSERVATION MEASURES

FUTURE PROSPECTS

CONCLUSIONS

} National level

} Biogeographical level/ Marine region



SPECIES' POPULATION

2013-2018 Reporting period-> pop units were 1x1km grids. Now: individuals

Species group	Individuals	m ²	Individuals or m ²	1 × 1 grids
Fish and lampreys				
All fish and lampreys	X			
Amphibians				
All amphibians	X			
Reptiles				
All reptiles	X			
Mammals				
All mammals	X			
Vascular plants				
Aquatic vascular plant		X		
Vascular plants which are difficult to access for survey		X		
Vascular plants occurring in one Country			X	
All other vascular plants	X			
Remaining species groups [including <i>Lycopodium</i> sp. from vascular plants]				X

HABITATS FOR THE SPECIES

Physical and biological requirements of the species, including seasonal requirements, during all stages of its life cycle.

7.1 Sufficiency of area and quality of occupied habitat

a) Is area of occupied habitat sufficient (for long-term survival)?

- YES
- NO
- Unknown

b) Is quality of occupied habitat sufficient (for long-term survival)?

- YES
- NO
- Unknown

c) If NO to a) is there a sufficiently large area of unoccupied habitat of suitable quality (for long-term survival)?

- YES
- NO
- Unknown

STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONS FOR HABITATS

Physical components and ecological processes of a habitat.

Parties are asked to provide the typical species of each habitat to produce a list of typical species.

a) Area in good condition	Minimum	<i>km²</i>
	Maximum	<i>km²</i>
b) Area not in good condition	Minimum	<i>km²</i>
	Maximum	<i>km²</i>
c) Area where condition is not known	Minimum	<i>km²</i>
	Maximum	<i>km²</i>

TRENDS

Considered for each parameter assessed in the Conservation Matrix

Only STABLE or INCREASING trends  FAVOURABLE CONSERVATION STATUS

FAVOURABLE REFERENCE VALUES

- **Favourable Reference Range** (species and habitats),
- **Favourable Reference Population** (species),
- **Favourable Reference Area** (habitats).

Operators are no longer used.

As general basis, date used as baseline is when **Resolution No. 8 (2012)**.


Our role is to set the basic rules and propose methodological approaches, but the final choice is in discretion of Contracting Parties given their data situation.

PRESSURES AND THREATS

- **Pressures:** acting within the current reporting period (14 categories)
- **Threats:** expected to act in the future

a) Pressure	List a maximum of 20 pressures using the codelist provided in the Reference portal and fill b) to f) for pressures.
b) Timing	<input type="checkbox"/> in the past but now suspended due to measures <input type="checkbox"/> ongoing <input type="checkbox"/> ongoing and likely to be in the future <input type="checkbox"/> only in future
c) Scope (proportion of area affected)	Fill in for 'ongoing' and 'ongoing and likely to be in the future': <input type="checkbox"/> whole >90% <input type="checkbox"/> majority 50 – 90% <input type="checkbox"/> minority <50%
d) Influence (on area or habitat condition)	Fill in for 'ongoing' and 'ongoing and likely to be in the future'. <input type="checkbox"/> High influence <input type="checkbox"/> Medium influence <input type="checkbox"/> Low influence
e) Invasive alien species of Bern Convention concern	Fill where pressure on 'IAS of Bern Convention concern' is selected. Please select from relevant species-list (see Reporting reference portal)
f) Other invasive alien species <i>Optional</i>	Fill where pressure 'other invasive alien species - other than species of Bern Convention concern' is selected.

FUTURE PROSPECTS

- Futures trends are combined with the current Conservation Status of the habitat/sp to calculate future prospects.
- Futures trend for each parameter: RANGE, POP., SPECIES' HABITAT of species
 RANGE, SURFACE AREA, STRUCTURE & FUNCTIONS of habitats
 Balance between threats/conservation measures.
 - < 1% per year -> moderate. Low influence.
 - ≥ 1% per year -> significant. High/medium influence.

	Influence		
Scope	<i>High influence</i>	<i>Medium influence</i>	<i>Low influence</i>
whole (>90%)			
majority (50-90%)			
minority (<50%)			

High impact

Medium impact

Low impact

2025

- Update of Resolution No.8 (2012) schemas and validation rules
- Update of the range tool
- Update of the reporting reference portal
- Manual for data delivery (spatial and tabular)
- Webinar on Reportnet 3
- 7th and 8th meetings of the Ad-hoc working group on reporting for clarifying issues and assist CP

2026

Deadline for submitting reports: **end January 2026** |

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Thank you