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# BIENNIAL REPORT (2023-2024)

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# the EUROPEAN UNION

# to

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# ON THE CONSERVATION OF EUROPEAN WILDLIFE AND NATURAL HABITATS

## Introduction

This report provides an overview of the exceptions granted in the territory of the European Union by the EU Member States during 2023-2024, based on the national reports on derogations issued under Article 9 of the Birds Directive[1] and Article 16 of the Habitats Directive[2], submitted to the European Commission by the Member States.

The Commission has also developed interactive data viewers[3] which present detailed information on the derogations submitted by the Member States, as well as statistics on the completeness of these reports. The data viewers have been developed in cooperation with the Bern Convention Secretariat.

## How to use the table

The table provides links to the Eionet[4] folders that include the specific national reports. In case there are older versions or wrong reports submitted by a Member State, the link provided in this table points to the report indicated as correct by the national authorities. To view these reports please click on the files included in the folder and choose the HTML version or the Excel version. If you encounter problems, please try changing browser. In some cases, the folders include additional information in other formats.

The following table provides an overview of the submissions of the national reports but does not provide an assessment of their contents.

| Member State | Birds Directive Report 2023 | Birds Directive Report 2024 | Habitats Directive Report 2023-2024 |
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| Austria | Received | Received | Received |
| Belgium | Received | Received | Received |
| Bulgaria | received | Received | Received |
| Croatia | Not received | Not received | Not received |
| Cyprus | Not received | Not received | Not received |
| Czechia | received | Received | Received |
| Denmark | Received | Received | Received |
| Estonia | Received | Received | Received |
| Finland | Received | Received | Received |

[1] Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds, OJ L 20, 26.1.2010.
[2] Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora, OJ L 206, 22.7.1992.
[3] Derogations and exceptions table; Data completeness of national reports on derogations and exceptions, Overview of derogations and exceptions to species protection across the EU
[4] https://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/ReportekEngine/searchdataflow

| Member State | Birds Directive Report 2023 | Birds Directive Report 2024 | Habitats Directive Report 2023-2024 |
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| France | Not received | Not received | Not received |
| Germany | Received | Received | Received |
| Greece | Received | Not received | Not received |
| Hungary | Received | Received | Received |
| Ireland | Received | Received | Received |
| Italy | Received | Received | Received |
| Latvia | Received | Received | Received |
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| Luxemburg | Received | Received | Received |
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| Netherlands | Received | Received | Received |
| Poland | Received | Received | Received |
| Portugal | Received | Received | Received |
| Romania | Received | Received | Received |
| Slovakia | Received | Received | Received |
| Slovenia | Received | Received | Not received |
| Spain | Received | Received | Received |
| Sweden | Received | Received | Received |