

Create a list of typical species for Resolution No. 4 (1996) habitat types Reporting period 2019-2024

Introduction

In the context of the reporting under Resolution No.8 (2012) a list of typical species for each habitat from Resolution No. 4 (1996) included in the Reporting Checklist should be created to collect further ecological information. In the previous reporting period, most Parties did not compile typical species, therefore, the aim of this reporting period is thus to construct a first list of typical species for each of the habitat types included in the 2019-2024 checklist.

The list should be provided together with the Country's Resolution No. 8 (2012) report delivery. This note gives short instructions on how to update the national lists of typical species.

Creating the list of typical species

The country should fill in the 'Template for listing the typical species' (Fig. 1), available on the reference portal:

[Reference Portal for the Reporting under Resolution No. 8 \(2012\) - Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats](#)

The list of typical species should contain the following information for each of the typical species listed:

- **country** - the two-digit code for your country;
- **region** - biogeographical region or marine region concerned within the country using the list to be found on the Reference Portal;
- **habitat code** - the habitat code given in the Habitats checklist;
- **update (yes/no) (optional)** - indicate whether the entry (a typical species for a habitat in a biogeographical region) has been updated compared to the previous reporting period (e.g. new species added, species name change, etc.). *Yes/No* = the country *indicates/doesn't indicate* a change in the typical species for the corresponding habitat and biogeographical region. Since in the previous reporting exercise, most countries did not report species, the answer should be "no" or countries can just leave the field blank because it is an optional field;
- **species scientific name** - provide the scientific name of the typical species;
- **taxonomic group (optional)** - information on taxonomic group can be provided in this field;
- **method (optional)** - method used for assessing typical species, if available;
- **Country note (optional)** - any additional information related to a particular habitat or species that the country wishes to provide. Habitats for which no typical species has been established should be noted in this field.

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country	region	habitat code	update (yes/no)(optional)	species scientific name	taxonomic group (optional)	method (optional)	country note (optional)	

Figure 1. Template for listing typical species, to be submitted if an updated version is required for the 2019-2024 reporting period.

To fill in the template, please consider the following points when indicating the 'scientific species

name' of a typical species:

- Provide one single scientific name per cell in the 'species scientific name' column. One habitat can have several entries if more than one typical species is listed for the mentioned habitat;
- Do not list species synonyms;
- Use the full genus name (avoid notations such as "*A. monspessulanum*");
- Do not include other information, such as vernacular name, taxonomic group or threat status in the 'species scientific name' cells;
- Subspecies can be mentioned using "subsp.", "spp." or the direct subspecies name (e.g., *Persicaria lapathifolia* subsp. *brittingeri*, *Persicaria lapathifolia* ssp. *brittingeri*, *Abramis brama lahna*).

Countries should submit the **complete list** of typical species for all habitats with their national Resolution No.8 (2012) report.

The excel file with the list of typical species (using the template found on the reference portal) should be uploaded in Reportnet 3.0 in the relevant field "6_6_b_typical_species_list".

The naming convention for the file is:

XX_typical_species_update_currentyear.xls or xlsx

(where 'XX' is the two-digit code for the corresponding Country, and *current year* is 2026).