



NPWS

An tSeirbhís Páirceanna
Náisiúnta agus Fiadhúlra
National Parks and Wildlife
Service

Licence No. 04/2026 - DOE

NATIONAL PARKS & WILDLIFE SERVICE

Wildlife Acts 1976 to 2018 – Sections 23 and 34

LICENCE TO CAPTURE PROTECTED WILD ANIMALS FOR EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC OR OTHER PURPOSES

The Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Sections 9, 23 and 34 of the Wildlife Acts 1976 to 2018 authorises:

**The Secretary General and nominees,
Department of Education, Marlborough Street, Dublin 1**

To disturb specimens of the species specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder in the area specified in Column 2 by the means specified in column 3 for scientific, educational or other purposes during the period beginning **01st January 2026** and ending on **31st December 2026**, subject to the conditions listed overleaf.

SCHEDULE

1	2	3
Species	Area	Means of capture
Frog spawn (<i>Rana temporaria</i>)	Throughout the State	By Hand

Dated 31 December 2025

For the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage

Conditions

1. This licence shall be produced for inspection on a request being made on that behalf by a member of An Garda Síochána or any person appointed by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage under Section 72 of the Wildlife Acts 1976 to 2018, to be an authorised person for the purposes of the Acts.
2. Any query in relation to this licence should be emailed to wildlifelicence@npws.gov.ie
3. The local NPWS District Conservation Officer or Conservation Ranger must be contacted during business hours prior to the activity commencing under the terms of this licence.
4. The spawn/tadpoles shall be released in due course at the location of capture, or into a suitable waterbody as near as possible to the capture site if the original waterbody has dried up, and a return should be made to National Parks and Wildlife Service at wildlifelicence@npws.gov.ie
5. The licence does not absolve the Department of Education and Skills and its nominees from complying with other relevant legislation.
6. **This licence does not confer right of entry onto any lands.**