

DEPARTMENT OF ARTS, HERITAGE, REGIONAL, RURAL AND GAELTACHT
AFFAIRS

DECLARATION UNDER REGULATION 3(1) (A) OF THE

EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (WILDLIFE ACT 1976) (AMENDMENT)

REGULATIONS 1986 (S.I. No. 254 of 1986)

The Minister for Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs, being of the opinion that the species referred to in Schedule 1 to this declaration represent a threat to public health or safety or are likely to cause serious damage to crops or to livestock or are likely to cause damage to fauna and being satisfied that no other satisfactory solution exists, hereby declares pursuant to regulation 3(1)(a) of the European Communities (Wildlife Act 1976) (Amendment) Regulations 1986 (S.I. No. 254 of 1986), as adapted, that for the purpose of preventing the disease, injury or damage specified in column (2) of Schedule 1 by the species mentioned in column (1) of Schedule 1, the said species may be captured or killed or otherwise interfered with on any property by any of the means, arrangements or methods specified in column (4) of Schedule 1 during the period specified for each species in column (3) of Schedule 1 to this declaration in any location in the State, except where otherwise specified in column (3) of the Schedule to the declaration, by the owner or occupier of any such property or the servant or agent of the owner or occupier of any such property on which the said threat to public health or safety is represented by such species or in order to prevent serious damage to crops or to livestock or damage to fauna on such property, as specified in column (2) of Schedule 1.


SCHEDULE 1

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SPECIES TYPE	REASON FOR CONTROL	PERIOD/LOCATION COVERED BY DECLARATION	METHOD OF CONTROL
Hooded (Grey) Crow (<i>Corvus corone</i>)	Threat to public health and vector in the spread of animal diseases	1 May 2017 to 30 April 2018	Shooting with rifle or shotgun. Cage traps with or without live decoys subject to conditions in Note below. ⁽¹⁾
	Prevent serious damage to livestock	1 May 2017 to 31 May 2017 and 1 December 2017 to 30 April 2018	
	Protection of fauna, notably the nests and young of game birds	1 May 2017 to 30 September 2017 and 1 February 2018 to 30 April 2018	
Magpie (<i>Pica pica</i>)	Threat to public health and vector in the spread of animal diseases	1 May 2017 to 30 April 2018	Shooting with rifle or shotgun. Cage traps with or without live decoys subject to conditions in Note below. ⁽¹⁾
	Prevent serious damage to livestock	1 May 2017 to 31 May 2017 and 1 December 2017 to 30 April 2018	
	Protection of fauna, notably the nests and young of game birds	1 May 2017 to 30 September 2017 and 1 February 2018 to 30 April 2018	
Rook (<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>)	Prevent serious damage to cereal crops, brassicas and root crops such as potatoes and beet	1 May 2017 to 31 December 2017 and 1 February 2018 to 30 April 2018	Shooting with rifle or shotgun.
	Prevent damage to livestock feedlots	1 May 2017 to 31 May 2017 and 1 November 2017 to 30 April 2018	
Jackdaw (<i>Corvus monedula</i>)	Prevent serious damage to cereal crops, brassicas and root crops such as potatoes and beet	1 May 2017 to 31 December 2017 and 1 February 2018 to 30 April 2018	Shooting with rifle or shotgun.
	Prevent damage to livestock feedlots	1 May 2017 to 31 May 2017 and 1 November 2017 to 30 April 2018	

<p>Wood Pigeon (<i>Columba palumbus</i>)</p> <p>Feral Pigeon (<i>Columba livia</i>), Collared Dove (<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>)</p> <p>The following specified members of the Pigeon family are not included:</p> <p>Stock Dove (<i>Columba oenas</i>), Turtle Dove (<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>), Wild Rock Dove (<i>Columba livia</i>), carrier pigeon, homing pigeon or any other domestic types of Rock Dove.</p>	<p>Prevent serious damage to arable crops, including cereals, legumes and brassicas</p> <p>Threat to public health notably contamination of food storage</p>	<p>1 May 2017 to 30 April 2018</p> <p>1 May 2017 to 30 April 2018</p>	<p>Shooting with rifle or shotgun.</p> <p>Shooting with rifle or shotgun. Non meat based poisoned or anaesthetic bait may be used as a method of control but only under permit with prescribed conditions as issued by the National Parks and Wildlife Service prior to control action taking place.</p>
<p>Herring Gull (<i>Larus argentatus</i>), Greater Black-backed Gull (<i>Larus marinus</i>), Lesser Black-backed Gull (<i>Larus fuscus</i>)</p>	<p>Threat to public safety</p>	<p>1 May 2017 to 30 April 2018 confined to the area within the boundary map at Schedule 2</p>	<p>To take the nests or to take the eggs</p>

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this 28th day of April 2017



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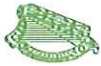
NOTE:

⁽¹⁾ Where a live wild bird is used as a decoy it is necessary to ensure that the live decoy bird may only be used to hunt birds of the same species and that the live decoy bird must be regularly provided with ample food and water and that when caged must only be kept in a cage which is of sufficient dimensions to enable the bird to move and exercise freely.

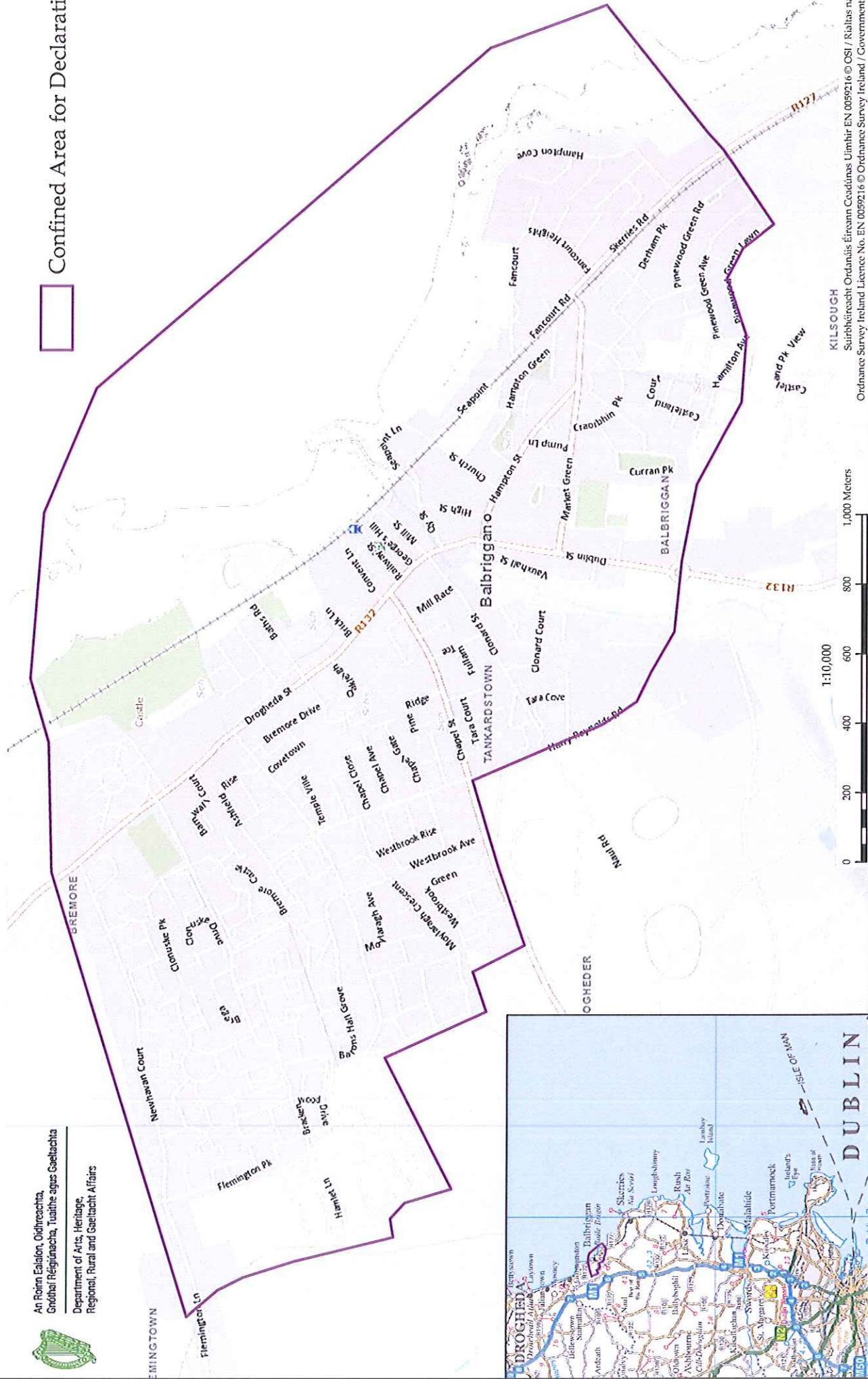
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SCHEDULE 2

An Roinn Ealaíon, Oidhreacht,
Gnóthaí Réigiúnacha, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta
Department of Arts, Heritage,
Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs



Confined Area for Declaration



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