

Licence Number: 3D-DER-BAT-2025-04

EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (BIRDS AND NATURAL HABITATS) REGULATIONS, 2011 (S.I. No 477 of 2011)

DEROGATION LICENCE

Granted under Regulation 54 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011. hereinafter referred to as "the Habitats Regulations".

The Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Regulation 54 of the Habitats Regulations hereby grants to John & Rose McDonagh of Rooaunmore, Ardrahan, County Galway, H91 KXW8 a licence. It is stated that this licence is issued:

- A. In the interests of public health and public safety, or for other imperative reasons of overriding public interest, including those of a social or economic nature and beneficial consequences of primary importance for the environment.
- B. There is no satisfactory alternative, and the action authorised by this licence will not be detrimental to the maintenance of the population of **<u>bats</u>** referred to below at a favourable conservation status in their natural range.

This licence authorises the following:

- 1. Roost disturbance
- 2. Actions authorised within the licence

The licence in respect of the following **Bat Species**:

- Common Pipistrelle Pipistrellus Pipistrellus
- Soprano Pipistrelle Pipistrellus Pygmaeus
- Leisler's Bat Nycatalus Leisler



Terms and Conditions

- This licence is granted solely to allow the activities specified in connection with domestic dwelling of John & Rose McDonagh of Rooaunmore, Ardrahan, County Galway, H91 KXW8
- 2. All activities authorised by this licence, and all equipment used in connection herewith, shall be carried out, constructed and maintained (as the case may be) so as to avoid unnecessary injury or distress to any species of **BAT**. Anything done other than in accordance with the terms of this licence may constitute an offence.
- 3. This licence may be modified or revoked, for stated reasons, at any time.
- The actions which this licence authorise shall be completed between 1st January-28th February, inclusive
- 5. No roost entrance points, e.g. holes, on the Eastern side of the house should be blocked.
- 6. If bats are found to be present when the works are carried out, the NPWS is to be contacted as soon as possible.
- 7. Any bat(s) are found during the works are to be placed inside a cardboard box and kept in warm, dark, quiet and safe conditions (away from pets/predators) until it is safe to release them after dark. If the bat(s) are found injured, the NPWS is to be contacted immediately along with a wildlife rehabber.
- 8. The works will be supervised by an NPWS field officer or a licensed bat specialist, if the same NPWS officer deems it appropriate.
- 9. The site must be checked before work commences to ensure bats have left. Where bats are thought to still be on site, appropriate action should be taken to exclude bats before any subsequent works are carried out on residential property.
- 10. This licence shall be produced for inspection on a request being made on that behalf by a member of An Garda Síochána or an authorised NPWS officer appointed under Regulation 4 of the Habitats Regulations.
- 11. The local **NPWS Conservation Ranger**, <u>margaux.pierrel@npws.gov.ie</u>, should be contacted prior to the commencement of any activity, and if bats are detected on site during the course of the work, under the terms of this licence.
- 12. On completion of the actions which this licence authorises, all recordings of bats affected will be made using the standardised data form provided below and must be submitted to the NPWS at <u>wildlife.reports@npws.gov.ie</u> within four weeks of the expiry date of this licence.



For the Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage

Claire Couley

(an officer authorised by the Minister to sign on his behalf)

19 September 2024

Any query in relation to this licence should be sent to wildlifelicence@npws.gov.ie





Article 16 (Habitats Directive) - Returns Form

This returns form is for use in respect of:

Regulation 54 – Derogation Licence to protect wild fauna and conserving natural habitats

1st January to 31st December 2025, inclusive

Licence Number: 3D-DER-2025-04 Licence Holder: John & Rose McDonagh

Species (English & Scientific)	No. of Individuals Affected	No. of Breeding Places	No. of Resting Places

Licence Holder Signature:	Date:
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Returns must be emailed to the following email address:

wildlife.reports@npws.gov.ie