

WICKLOW MOUNTAINS CANDIDATE SPECIAL AREA of CONSERVATION
(CONTROL OF RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES) DIRECTION 2010

WHEREAS it appears to the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government that certain recreational activities being carried out in the Wicklow Mountains cSpecial Area of Conservation 2122 (including lands in the Wicklow Mountains National Park) are:

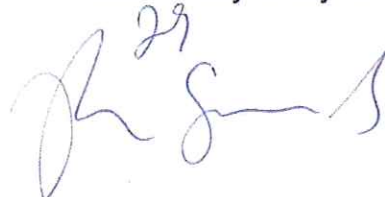
- a. likely to have an adverse effect on the integrity of a European Site, or
- b. likely to cause the deterioration of natural habitats or the habitats of species or the disturbance of the species for which the European Site has been designated pursuant to the Habitats Directive or has been classified pursuant to the Birds Directive, in so far as such disturbance could be significant in relation to the objectives of the Habitats Directive, or
- c. likely to cause pollution or deterioration of habitats within the meaning of the second sentence of Article 4.4 of the Birds Directive

NOW, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Regulation 8 (1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) (Control of Recreational Activities) Regulations 2010, the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government hereby directs that the following recreational activities shall not be carried out, caused or permitted to be carried out or continue to be carried out by any person in the European Site or part thereof or at any other land as specified in the attached maps.

1. Use of All Terrain and Off Road Vehicles, including:
 - Quad Bikes
 - Scrambler Bikes
 - 4x4 vehicles

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Given under the Official Seal of the
Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government
this day of July 2010



Minister for the Environment, Heritage
and Local Government