



NATURA 2000 - STANDARD DATA FORM

For Special Protection Areas (SPA),
Proposed Sites for Community Importance (pSCI),
Sites of Community Importance (SCI) and
for Special Areas of Conservation (SAC)

SITE IE0000295
SITENAME Levally Lough SAC

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1. SITE IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Type B	1.2 Site code IE0000295	Back to top
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1.3 Site name

Levally Lough SAC

1.4 First Compilation date 1995-08	1.5 Update date 2018-09
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1.6 Respondent:

Name/Organisation:	National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
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Date site proposed as SCI:	1997-11
Date site confirmed as SCI:	No data
Date site designated as SAC:	2016-05
National legal reference of SAC designation:	240/2016

2. SITE LOCATION

2.1 Site-centre location [decimal degrees]:

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B	A052	Anas crecca		w	58	58	i		G	C	B	C	B
B	A050	Anas penelope		w	47	47	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A053	Anas platyrhynchos		w	28	28	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A059	Aythya ferina		w	61	61	i		G	C	A	C	B
B	A061	Aythya fuligula		w	25	25	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A125	Fulica atra		r				P	DD	C	A	C	B
B	A160	Numenius arquata		w	102	102	i		G	C	A	C	B
B	A140	Pluvialis apricaria		w	75	75	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A142	Vanellus vanellus		w	91	91	i		G	C	B	C	C

- **Group:** A = Amphibians, B = Birds, F = Fish, I = Invertebrates, M = Mammals, P = Plants, R = Reptiles
- **S:** in case that the data on species are sensitive and therefore have to be blocked for any public access enter: yes
- **NP:** in case that a species is no longer present in the site enter: x (optional)
- **Type:** p = permanent, r = reproducing, c = concentration, w = wintering (for plant and non-migratory species use permanent)
- **Unit:** i = individuals, p = pairs or other units according to the Standard list of population units and codes in accordance with Article 12 and 17 reporting (see [reference portal](#))
- **Abundance categories (Cat.):** C = common, R = rare, V = very rare, P = present - to fill if data are deficient (DD) or in addition to population size information
- **Data quality:** G = 'Good' (e.g. based on surveys); M = 'Moderate' (e.g. based on partial data with some extrapolation); P = 'Poor' (e.g. rough estimation); VP = 'Very poor' (use this category only, if not even a rough estimation of the population size can be made, in this case the fields for population size can remain empty, but the field "Abundance categories" has to be filled in)

4. SITE DESCRIPTION

4.1 General site character

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Habitat class	% Cover
N14	10.0
N06	70.0
N10	20.0
Total Habitat Cover	100

Other Site Characteristics

This is a turlough that remains flooded for a long period and in some years never goes dry. It contains a large area of marl (precipitated CaCO₃) as well as aquatic vegetation with willows *Salix* sp. The amount of marginal grassland flooded is relatively small. There is a swallow hole and inflowing stream at the eastern end.

4.2 Quality and importance

Levally is in good condition and is unusual for being at the wet end of turlough variation. It must therefore have a distinct flora and fauna though this is not yet known in detail. Diversity in the vegetation seems small but rather higher in the birdlife - particularly breeding waterfowl.

4.3 Threats, pressures and activities with impacts on the site

The most important impacts and activities with high effect on the site

Negative Impacts			
Rank	Threats and pressures [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside/outside [i o b]
M	A10		b
L	E01.03		o
M	C01.01.01		o
L	F03.01		b
M	A08		o

Positive Impacts			
Rank	Activities, management [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside/outside [i o b]
L	X		i

Rank: H = high, M = medium, L = low

Pollution: N = Nitrogen input, P = Phosphor/Phosphate input, A = Acid input/acidification, T = toxic inorganic chemicals, O = toxic organic chemicals, X = Mixed pollutions

i = inside, o = outside, b = both

4.5 Documentation

Quinn, A. (1971). Provisional Survey of Areas of Scientific Interest in Co. Galway. Report to Galway County Council (unpublished). An Foras Forbartha. Goodwillie, R.N. (1992). Turloughs Over 10 ha - Vegetation Survey and Evaluation. Unpublished report to the National Parks and Wildlife Service. Sheppard, R. (1993). Ireland's Wetland Wealth. Irish Wildbird Conservancy, Dublin.

6. SITE MANAGEMENT

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6.2 Management Plan(s):

An actual management plan does exist:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No, but in preparation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No

7. MAP OF THE SITES

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Map delivered as PDF in electronic format (optional)

Yes No

Reference(s) to the original map used for the digitalisation of the electronic boundaries (optional).

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