



# 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 IE0000668  
SITENAME Nier Valley Woodlands SAC

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## 1. SITE IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Type B	1.2 Site code IE0000668	<a href="#">Back to top</a>
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### 1.3 Site name

Nier Valley Woodlands SAC
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1.4 First Compilation date 1997-03	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
Address:	90 King Street North, Dublin 7, D07 N7CV, Ireland
Email:	datadelivery@chg.gov.ie

### 1.7 Site indication and designation / classification dates

Date site classified as SPA:	0000-00
National legal reference of SPA designation	No data
Date site proposed as SCI:	2002-01
Date site confirmed as SCI:	No data
Date site designated as SAC:	2017-11
National legal reference of SAC designation:	508/2017

## 2. SITE LOCATION

### 2.1 Site-centre location [decimal degrees]:

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Longitude -7.643337 Latitude 52.273512

2.2 Area [ha]:

2.3 Marine area [%]



					Min	Max		C R V P	IV	V	A	B	C	D
P		<a href="#">Euphorbia hyberna</a>						P						X
M		<a href="#">Meles meles</a>						P			X			
M		<a href="#">Meles meles</a>						P					X	
M		<a href="#">Mustela erminea hibernica</a>						P					X	
M		<a href="#">Myotis nattereri</a>						P			X			
M		<a href="#">Myotis nattereri</a>						P					X	
M		<a href="#">Sciurus vulgaris</a>						P					X	

- **Group:** A = Amphibians, B = Birds, F = Fish, Fu = Fungi, I = Invertebrates, L = Lichens, M = Mammals, P = Plants, R = Reptiles
- **CODE:** for Birds, Annex IV and V species the code as provided in the reference portal should be used in addition to the scientific name
- **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)
- **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](#))
- **Cat.:** Abundance categories: C = common, R = rare, V = very rare, P = present
- **Motivation categories:** IV, V: Annex Species (Habitats Directive), A: National Red List data; B: Endemics; C: International Conventions; D: other reasons

## 4. SITE DESCRIPTION

### 4.1 General site character

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Habitat class	% Cover
N08	35.0
N10	6.0
N09	9.0
N23	3.0
N16	42.0
N06	5.0
<b>Total Habitat Cover</b>	<b>100</b>

### Other Site Characteristics

Site comprises a series of non-contiguous deciduous woodlands along the R. Nier and its tributaries. *Betula* spp., *Corylus avellana* and *Quercus* spp. are main species, with *Ilex aquifolium* and *Sorbus aucuparia*. Parts of site are of heath and scrub. Dry grassland and wet grassland also occur. Good representation of Irish mammals and birds. Valley has amenity value and is a popular tourist destination.

### 4.2 Quality and importance

Woodlands show both primary and secondary successions in development towards an oak-dominated climax. Quality of woods diminished by regular grazing and regeneration is poor.

### 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	B		i
M	I01		i
M	A04		i

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

#### 4.4 Ownership (optional)

#### 4.5 Documentation

Young, R. (1972). A report on areas of scientific interest in Co. Waterford. An Foras Forbartha, Dublin. McCracken, E. (1971). The Irish Woods since Tudor times. David & Charles, Newton Abbott, (see page 49).

### 5. SITE PROTECTION STATUS (optional)

5.1 Designation types at national and regional level:

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5.2 Relation of the described site with other sites:

5.3 Site designation (optional)

### 6. SITE MANAGEMENT

6.1 Body(ies) responsible for the site management:

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6.2 Management Plan(s):

An actual management plan does exist:

- Yes  
 No, but in preparation  
 No

6.3 Conservation measures (optional)

### 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).