

Summary of National Hunting Regulations: *Slovenia*



Updated in December 2014

HUNTING AND TRAPPING LEGISLATION/ RESOURCES

Name of main legislation: Wild Game and Hunting Act

Year of publication: 2004

Supporting legislation: Decree specifying the wild game and hunting periods

Legislation updates: Please see below

Hunting legislation (web link):

ZDLov-1 - Zakon o divjadi in lovstvu (**Wild Game and Hunting Act**), Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, no. 16/04, 120/06 – Constitutional Court Decision, 17/08 and 46/14 - ZON-C).

<http://www.pisrs.si/Pis.web/pregledPredpisa?id=ZAKO3780#> (unofficial consolidated version no. 3)

Uredba o določitvi divjadi in lovnih dob (**Decree specifying the wild game and hunting periods**), Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, no. 101/04 and 81/14.

<http://www.pisrs.si/Pis.web/pregledPredpisa?id=URED3478> (unofficial consolidated version no. 1)

Authority in charge of controlling hunting (web link): Hunting and fisheries inspection (http://www.iko.gov.si/si/o_inspektoratu/organiziranost_inspektorata/lovska_in_ribiska_inspekcija/) is in charge of controlling hunting. Slovenia forest service (<http://www.zgs.si/>) is in charge of planning of hunting and monitoring of wild game species.

Major inconsistencies or loopholes detected (if yes please describe): None.

Derogations (on EU Birds Directive and/or Bern Convention):

Birds Directive:

House Martin – nest destruction

Common Kestrel – killing at Ljubljana airport

Common Buzzard – killing at Ljubljana airport

Cormorant - annual shooting (due to the pressure from Slovene Fisheries Association)

HUNTING AND TRAPPING: METHODS AND RESTRICTIONS

	Legal methods/restrictions	Notes
Hunting	All the area of Slovenia, no matter if it is private or public, is divided amongst the “hunting families” (local hunting societies), who are managing the game and have public authorisation through concessions. Rifle shooting and falconry are the only legal methods for hunting	

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	<p>birds.</p> <p>The restrictions (as regards specific areas for bird hunting) are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - at some areas hunting is prohibited due to nature conservation (mostly nature reserves); however, these areas are quite small - hunting is prohibited at all types of residential and fenced industrial areas (50m distance from residential areas, for joint hunting) <p>It is specifically prohibited (restrictions as regards bird hunting):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - using unspecified shooting weapons - using poisonous baits - using traps - using artificial sources of light - using airguns and automatic weapons - using bow and crossbow hunting - using live and electronic baits - hunting from vehicle / boat or at night - hunting in snow higher than 40cm or with ice crust - hunting in the case of floods - shooting at nests 	
Trapping	Not allowed	

HUNTING SEASONS AND SPECIES

Open Hunting Season	Legally huntable species	Notes
1.9.-28.2.	Common Pheasant	
1.9.-15.11.	Grey Partridge (only reared individuals)	
1.9.-15.1.	Mallard	
1.8.-28.2.	Eurasian Jay	
1.8.-28.2.	Magpie	
1.8.-28.2.	Hooded Crow	
Note: Constant pressure to expand this list from (some) hunters is present; however, strong coalition of environmental organisations against this exists and public opinion is also inclined against it.		

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TRAPPING SEASONS AND SPECIES

Open Trapping Season	Legally trapped species	Notes
N/A	N/A	N/A

TRADE AND PEST SPECIES

Legal trade	Notes
N/A	
Legislation on "pest species"	Notes
Up till now no special legislation was adopted.	

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