Summary of National Hunting Regulations: Azerbaijan





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HUNTING AND TRAPPING LEGISLATION/ RESOURCES

Name of main legislation: The law of Azerbaijan Republic on hunting

Year of publication: 20.04.2004

Supporting legislation: The rules of hunting norms and the rules concerning creation and functioning of hunting economy

Legislation updates: 2014 and 2015

Hunting legislation (web link): www.e-qanun.az

Authority in charge of controlling hunting (web link): Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Azerbaijan Republic (<u>http://www.eco.gov.az/en/</u>)

Major inconsistencies or loopholes detected (if yes please describe): The hunting law only identifies sport hunting but in reality we have in many regions commercial hunting.

Derogations (on EU Birds Directive and/or Bern Convention): None

HUNTING AND TRAPPING: METHODS AND RESTRICTIONS

	Legal methods/restrictions	Notes
Hunting	By shooting. Only during weekend during hunting season. Outside from protected Areas. In 500 distance from settlements.	
Trapping	Forbidden	

HUNTING SEASONS AND SPECIES

Open Hunting Season	Legally huntable species	Notes
For wintering waterbirds: 2 nd -3 rd week of October up to 1 st -2 nd week of February or up to March (depend from year)	All ducks, geese, coot and Rallidae species, besides species included in RDB (Red Data Book of Azerbaijan)	Species which is not included in Red Data Book of the country: hunting on this species is not forbidden. Norm for waterbirds per one weekend: 2 geese, 5 ducks or 10 coots.

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For terrestrial birds:	Chukar, crow, rook, quail, pigeons (Columba),	5-10 birds depend from size.
from August to	doves (Streptopelia).	
March		

TRAPPING SEASONS AND SPECIES

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

TRADE AND PEST SPECIES

Legal trade	Notes
Only huntable species	
Legislation on "pest species"	Notes
N/A	

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