

Summary of National Hunting Regulations: **Kuwait**



Updated in August 2016

HUNTING AND TRAPPING LEGISLATION/ RESOURCES

Name of main legislation: Law No. 42 of 2014 on Environmental Protection. This new law ban all kind of bird shooting or trapping in Kuwait, especially in articles 100, 101 and 149.

Year of publication: 2014

Supporting legislation:

Legislation updates:

Hunting legislation (web link):

<https://www.epa.org.kw/uploads/Law%20No%2042%20of%202014%20-%20english.pdf>

Authority in charge of controlling hunting (web link): Environment Police (EPA – Environment Public Authorities <https://www.epa.org.kw/>) is responsible to enforce this new law against any violations

Enforcement commenced in reality from January 2016 after appointing Environmental Judicial Officers

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

Derogations (on EU Birds Directive and/or Bern Convention): Not applicable

HUNTING AND TRAPPING: METHODS AND RESTRICTIONS

	Legal methods/restrictions	Notes
Hunting	Article 100 - It is prohibited to hunt, kill, catch, collect, harm, acquire or transport wild land and marine organisms, whether alive or dead or prejudice their juveniles, eggs, nests or their habitats, and the Executive Bylaw of this law shall determine the types and numbers of organisms allowed to be hunted or fished in certain seasons and specific areas. Hunting or fishing for scientific purposes shall be exempted after the approval of competent concerned authorities in coordination with the Authority.	
Trapping	(see above)	

HUNTING SEASONS AND SPECIES

No hunting season currently set

Open Hunting Season	Legally huntable species	Notes
N/A	N/A	

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TRAPPING SEASONS AND SPECIES

No trapping season currently set

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

TRADE AND PEST SPECIES

Legal trade	Notes
<p>It is banned to trade in endangered species of wild organisms or any part of it or its products as specified in the CITES Convention and other valid international agreements.</p> <p>It is possible, via a decision from the Director-General and in cooperation with the competent authorities, to add some other species to those mentioned in the said convention. The exception to the above will only be the cases licensed by competent authorities and approved by the Authority for scientific or treatment purposes or for Zoos and exhibitions.</p>	
Legislation on “pest species”	Notes
No mention of ‘pest species’ in the Environmental Law	

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