

# Summary of National Hunting Regulations: Slovakia



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## HUNTING AND TRAPPING LEGISLATION/ RESOURCES

**Name of main legislation:** Act. No. 543/2002 on Nature and Landscape Protection

**Year of publication:** 2002

**Supporting legislation:** Order No. 24/2003 (on the nature and landscape protection); Act No. 15/2005 on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade (CITES law) and Order No. 344/2009 (CITES legislation); Act No. 300/2005 Criminal Code

**Legislation updates:** 2016 (Nature protection law)

**Hunting legislation (web link):** Act No. 274/2009 on hunting (<https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/2009/274/20160701> in Slovak only)

**Authority in charge of controlling hunting (web link):** Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak republic <http://www.mpsr.sk/en/>

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

**Derogations (on EU Birds Directive and/or Bern Convention):** Usual derogation are issued by Ministry to applicants (e.g. killing of pests, destroying nests due to renovation of building, etc.). These derogations are reported to European Commission every year under the article 9 of the Birds Directive (see [http://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/sk/eu/habides/envv\\_yvuq/habides-derogations\\_16.xml/manage\\_document](http://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/sk/eu/habides/envv_yvuq/habides-derogations_16.xml/manage_document))

## HUNTING AND TRAPPING: METHODS AND RESTRICTIONS

	Legal methods/restrictions	Notes
<b>Hunting</b>	Hunting possible : - only with hunting license, hunting permit in hunting areas, in hunting season , clearly recognise game - geese and ducks can be hunt maximum 1 hour before sunrise and max 1 hour after sunset - hunting possible with falcons  Forbidden - poisoning, using chemicals, shooting to the nests, live decoy, hunting from the vehicles, trapping, and all other hunting methods included in the Birds Directive	
<b>Trapping</b>	It is not allowed, or only with special permit for pest control (see below)	

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## HUNTING SEASONS AND SPECIES

Open Hunting Season	Legally huntable species	Notes
01.10. -20.01.	Greylag Goose, Bean Goose, Greater White-fronted Goose	
01.09. - 31.01. 01.10. – 15.01.	Mallard Tufted Duck, Ferruginous Duck	
01.10. --15.01. 01.09. – 30.11.	Common Coot Eurasian Woodcock	
01.10. – 15.11. 01.11. - 15.01. 16.09. - 15.10.	Hazel Grouse Common Pheasant (males) in the wild Grey Partridge (only in shooting areas with planned numbers)	Common Pheasant: introduced species
01.08. - 31.10. 01.08. - 31.12.	Common Woodpigeon Eurasian Collared-dove	
01.08. – 20.01.	Rook	
01.08. – 10.02. (01.06.- 28.02 – in areas with small game)	Eurasian Jay, Black-billed Magpie, Carrion Crow	

## TRAPPING SEASONS AND SPECIES

Trapping is possible only with special permit

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

## TRADE AND PEST SPECIES

Legal trade	Notes
Only with special permit for all bird species (CITES + all protected species=all bird species)	Permit issued mainly by the Ministry of Environment
Legislation on “pest species”	Notes
Only with special permit.	Permit issued mainly by the Ministry of Environment  In some cases (protection of the areas), permit is issued by the relevant governmental district office, or the department of environment.

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