Summary of National Hunting Regulations: Ukraine





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HUNTING AND TRAPPING LEGISLATION/ RESOURCES

Name of main legislation: Law of Ukraine on Hunting

Year of publication: 22.02.2000

Supporting legislation: Law of Ukraine on Red Book of Ukraine, LU on Animal World, LU on Nature

Reserve Fund

Law of Ukraine on Red Book of Ukraine forbids the hunting of species listed in it, but it isn't notice in the Law of Ukraine on Hunting. The hunting on the Red Data Book species is forbidden by the Criminal Code of Ukraine.

Legislation updates: N 901-VII from 23.12.2015, BBP, 2016, N 4, p.44

Hunting legislation (web link): http://zakon4.rada.gov.ua/laws/show/1478-14

Authority in charge of controlling hunting (web link):

Ministry of ecology and natural resources http://www.menr.gov.ua/

State Agency of the Forest Resources of Ukraine http://dklg.kmu.gov.ua

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

Derogations (on EU Birds Directive and/or Bern Convention): None (Bern Convention isn't noticed in the legislation. It has only formal status)

HUNTING AND TRAPPING: METHODS AND RESTRICTIONS

	Legal methods/restrictions	Notes
Hunting	 Licensed hunting is permitted in certain seasons and for certain species (see below) Hunters can use: hunting firearm; hunting dogs, other hunting animals and birds (passport for animal needed) (no mention of what animals); hunting towers; odorous nonpoisonous baits. All other hunting methods are forbidden, including use of calling devices or live decoys, shooting from a moving vehicle of any sort. Restrictions include: no hunting at night, no hunting out of season, no hunting on the territory of Nature Reserve Fund. It is prohibited to hunt within 200 metres from built up / residential areas. 	 Shooting card is needed for game bird hunting. Hunting on game birds with a rifled firearm or using cartridges filled with balls and a meal with a diameter 5 mm and more is forbidden. Destruction of bird nests, egg collecting, taking dead game birds and their unauthorized appropriation on the hunting territory are also forbidden.

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- Nets and traps to capture animals alive; traps to extract furry animals for scientific purposes and for translocation are permitted.
- Limesticks, loops, traps, undercuts, lapel, hooks, crossbows, hunting pits, poisonous and anesthetic baits are forbidden.

Terms aren't mentioned in the legislation but scientists must have a permit.

HUNTING SEASONS AND SPECIES

Open Hunting Season	Legally huntable species	Notes
August - December	Great Crested Grebe, ducks (for exceptions see Notes), Common Coot, waders (for exceptions see Notes), Pigeons and Doves (for exception see Notes)	Only forbidden species are mentioned in the legislation: - Common Goldeneye, Ferruginous Duck, White-headed Duck, Ruddy Shelduck, Common Shelduck, Common Eider, Smew, Goosander, Red-Breasted Merganser, Red-crested Pochard, Gadwall - Eurasian Oystercatcher, Northern Lapwing, Black-winged Stilt, Pied Avocet, Eurasian Curlew, Whimbrel, Slender-billed Curlew, Eurasian Thick-knee, Collared Pratincole, Black-winged Pratincole, Ruddy Turnstone, Marsh Sandpiper, Green Sandpiper, Common Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper, Common Ringed Plover, Little Ringed Plover, Kentish Plover, Red-necked Phalarope, Great Snipe - Stock Dove
August - January	Greylag Goose, Greater White- fronted Goose, Bean Goose	Only forbidden species are mentioned in the legislation: - Barnacle Goose, Red-breasted Goose
October - December	Grey Partridge, Common Pheasant	Common pheasant is an introduced species
August - November	Common Quail	

TRAPPING SEASONS AND SPECIES

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

TRADE AND PEST SPECIES

Legal trade	Notes
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Only with a permit	The Ministry of Ecology and Nature Resources can deliver this permit on trading. It means first of all passport for the bird.
Legislation on "pest species"	Notes
Hooded Crow is in the list of Pest Species	Hunters can shoot them only during the hunting season. Game wardens can shoot them during all
	seasons

NGO: Ukrainian Society for the Protection of Birds

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