Protection of Birds Act 1967

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8 Additional matters for which licences may be granted

(1) A licence may be granted under section 10 of the principal Act—

(a) for the purpose of preventing serious damage to crops, vegetables, fruit, growing timber or any other form of property or to fisheries, to kill or take within any area specified in the licence by any means so specified any number so specified of wild birds included in Schedule 1 to that Act of any description so specified ;

(b) for the purpose of ringing or marking, to take within any area specified in the licence wild birds of any description so specified;

(c) to kill, in the course of falconry, within any area specified in the licence, wild birds of any description so specified by flying birds of prey of any description so specified;

(d) for the purpose of aviculture, to take within any area specified in the licence by any means so specified, or to import, any number so specified of wild birds of any description so specified.

(2) The appropriate authority for the grant of a licence under the said section 10 by virtue of subsection (1) above shall be—

(a) in the case of a licence granted by virtue of paragraph (a) , (c) or (d) of that subsection, the Secretary of State after consultation with the appropriate advisory committee;

(b) in the case of a licence granted by virtue of paragraph (b) of that subsection, the Natural Environment Research Council.

(3) In subsection (5) of section 10 of the principal Act (licences in respect of importation to Northern Ireland) the reference to subsection (2) (a) of that section shall include a reference to subsection (2) (a) of this section.

(4) In subsection (1)(b) and (c) of this section " wild bird " includes pheasant, partridge, grouse (or moor game), black (or heath) game and, in Scotland, ptarmigan.