# STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

#### 1982 No. 1221

# **WILDLIFE**

# Wildlife and Countryside (Registration and Ringing of Certain Captive Birds) Regulations 1982

Made - - - - - 23rd August 1982
Laid before Parliament 6th September 1982
Coming into Operation 28th September 1982

The Secretary of State for the Environment as respects England, the Secretary of State for Scotland as respects Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales as respects Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 7(1) and (2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981(a), hereby make the following regulations:—

#### Title, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Wildlife and Countryside (Registration and Ringing of Certain Captive Birds) Regulations 1982, and shall come into operation on 28th September 1982.
  - (2) In these regulations—
    - "keeper" means the person who keeps a bird, or has a bird in his possession or under his control;
    - "registration" includes re-registration;
    - "ring" means any ring or band for ringing a bird;
    - "the Act" means the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981;
    - "the Secretary of State" means the Secretary of State for the Environment

and cognate expressions shall be construed accordingly.

(3) In these regulations, any reference to a bird to which these regulations apply is a reference to any bird included in Schedule 4 to the Act which any person keeps or has in his possession or under his control.

# Transitional arrangements

- 2. Nothing in these regulations shall require any bird to be registered—
  - (a) before the expiration of the period of six weeks beginning on the date on which these regulations come into operation; or

(b) in a case where an application for the registration of the bird is received by the Secretary of State within the said period, before the date on which he notifies the applicant of his decision on the application.

#### Registration

- 3.—(1) The Secretary of State shall, for the purposes of section 7(1) of the Act, maintain a register of birds to which these regulations apply.
- (2) An application for registration shall be made by the keeper, or prospective keeper, of the bird to which the application relates on a form obtained from the Secretary of State.
- (3) The Secretary of State shall not register any bird which is required by regulation 5 of these regulations to be ringed, unless he is satisfied that the bird has been ringed as required.
- (4) The Secretary of State may make such reasonable charge for registration as he thinks fit.

# Termination of registration

- **4.**—(1) Any registration effected before 1st September 1984 shall cease to have effect on that date, and any registration effected on or after that date shall cease to have effect on the triennial anniversary of that date which first occurs after the date of the registration.
- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) above, any registration shall cease to have effect—
  - (a) when the registered bird—
    - (i) dies;
    - (ii) escapes or is released into the wild;
    - (iii) is disposed of by way of sale or otherwise;
    - (iv) is exported;
  - (b) when, in the case of a bird required by regulation 5 of these regulations to be ringed, the ring is removed or the writing or numbering on the ring ceases to be legible;
  - (c) when a registered bird ceases to be normally kept at any address at which it was previously so kept, provided that this sub-paragraph shall not apply where the Secretary of State has been notified in writing of the address at which the bird is to be normally kept and of the date from which it will be kept at that address.

#### Ringing

5.—(1) Every bird included in the Schedule to these regulations (being certain of the birds to which these regulations apply) shall be ringed with a ring obtained from the Secretary of State.

(2) Any person who rings a bird under this regulation shall complete a declaration of ringing on a form obtained from the Secretary of State, and return it to him.

# **SCHEDULE**

#### BIRDS REQUIRING RINGING

#### PART I

Hawks, True (except Old World Vultures) that is to say, Buzzards, Eagles, Harriers, Hawks and Kites (all species in each case)

Accipitridae (except the genera Aegypius, Gypaetus, Gypohierax, Gyps, Neophron, Sarcogyps and Trigonoceps)

Osprev Pandion haliaetus

Falcons (all species) Falconidae

# PART II

Scientific name Common name Bunting, Cirl Emberiza cirlus Bunting, Lapland Calcarius lapponicus Bunting, Snow Plectrophenax nivalis Chough pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorox

Crossbills (all species)

Loxia Fieldfare Turdus pilaris Regulus ignicapillus **Firecrest** Oriole, Golden Oriolus oriolus Redstart, Black Phoenicurus ochruros Redwing Turdus iliacus Serin Serinus serinus Shorelark Eremophila alpestris Shrike, Red-Backed Lanius collurio Tit, Bearded Panurus biarmicus

Tit, Crested Parus cristatus Warbler, Cettis Cettia cetti Warbler, Dartford Sylvia undata Warbler, Marsh Acrocephalus palustris

Warbler, Savis Locustella luscinoides Woodlark Lullula arborea Wryneck Jynx torquilla

9th August 1982.

Michael R. D. Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment.

23rd August 1982.

George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State 16th August 1982.

Michael Roberts,
Parliamentary Under
Secretary of State,
Welsh Office.

# **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

These regulations have been made for the purposes of section 7(1) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, and provide for the registration and ringing of birds included in Schedule 4 to that Act which any person keeps or has in his possession or under his control.

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