

## APPENDIX A

From 1 July 2007, an indefinite ban on the importation of wild birds into the European Union came into force. The Governments therefore believe that non-native birds do not need to be listed on Schedule 4 as they can no longer be imported into the EU except under exceptional circumstances. These species will also be subject to separate controls under CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species).

It remains an offence to possess a bird taken from the wild, and the onus of proof remains on the person who possess a wild bird to show it was legally acquired.

Keepers of peregrine falcons and merlins will still be required to undertake registration unless the specific bird is covered by a CITES certificate.



### October 2008

If you live in England, the list of species of birds of prey that are included in Schedule 4 was amended from 1 October 2008, and are the only ones now subject of Ringing & Registration under Section 7 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. These species are also listed on Annex A of EC Regulation 338/97 and require an Article 10 certificate for commercial use.

The following birds must be registered with the Wildlife Licensing and Registration Service and will be issued with a blue registration document.

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
Eagle, Golden	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>
Eagle, White-tailed	<i>Aquila haliaeetus</i>
Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>
Harrier, Marsh	<i>Circus, aeruginous</i>
Harrier, Montagu's	<i>Circus pygargus</i>
Buzzard, Honey	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>
Falcon, Peregrine	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
Merlin	<i>Falco columbarius</i>



**April 2009**

The list of Schedule 4 birds was amended by the Welsh Assembly Government on 21 April 2009. If you live in Wales, the following list of all species of birds of prey that are included in Schedule 4 and are the only ones now subject of Ringing & Registration under Section 7 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. These species are also listed on Annex A of EC Regulation 338/97 and require an Article 10 certificate for commercial use.

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**April 2009**

If you live in Scotland, the Schedule 4 was amended from 21 December 2009 . The list of all species of raptor that are required to be registered with the Secretary of State is shown below. These species are also listed on Annex A of EC Regulation 338/97 and require an Article 10 certificate for commercial use.

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
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## **List of Information Sheets available from the defra web site**

- Information Sheet 1 - Possession, Competitive Showing and Display of Birds
- Information Sheet 2 - Registration of Birds England
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