



Report on the status of waterbird populations in the AEWA area for the period 2013-2018

Through Resolution 7.1, the 7th Session of the Meeting of the Parties (MOP7) to AEWA adopted, amongst other things, the format for national reports on the implementation of AEWA for the period 2018-2020 as presented in document AEWA/MOP 7.17.

Document AEWA/MOP 7.17 envisages a module on the status of native and non-native waterbird species, but it was agreed that this module will be developed by the Technical Committee and approved by the Standing Committee in early 2019. The format for reporting on Article 12 of the European Union's Birds Directive (EU BD) for the period 2013-2018 was agreed as the basis for this module, while focusing only on some fields of the EU reporting template, notably those in Annex B, chapters 1-5.

The alignment of the AEWA population status reporting module with the EU BD Article 12 template for 2013-2018 will, on the one hand, allow reporting of all necessary information by the AEWA Contracting Parties needed for the assessment of the status of AEWA populations, and, on the other hand, will require the EU members states that are Contracting Parties to AEWA to report only once their national data for the native species listed in Annex 2 of AEWA, providing that access to the EU BD Article 12 national reports will be granted to the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat. If any EU Member State with overseas territories within the AEWA area has not reported on the AEWA-listed species in those territories, data should be submitted through the AEWA reporting process.

Unlike the EU BD Article 12 template, the AEWA population status reporting module should request similar type of information for non-native waterbird species as for native species. The EU members states will therefore, like all other AEWA Contracting Parties, need to fill out the AEWA population status reporting module with respect to the status of the non-native waterbird species occurring in their territories, including overseas territories within the AEWA area.

In order to be able to use the national data reported by the AEWA Contracting Parties for the 8th edition of the AEWA Conservation Status Report, this reporting module has been set up separately in the CMS Family Online Reporting System and the deadline for submission of the national population status reports has been set by MOP7 at 30 June 2020.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of reporting Contracting Party

>>> Latvia

Date of entry into force of AEWA in the Contracting Party

>>> 1 January, 2006

2. INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Please indicate the Designated National Respondent (DNR) and the other contributors to the Report on the population size and trend of AEWA-listed (native) and non-native waterbird species in the Agreement area for the period 2013-2018.

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4. NON-NATIVE WATERBIRD SPECIES

Please select from the drop-down list below only the non-native species that occur in your country. This list contains the non-native waterbird species that have been identified to occur in the Agreement area. Should any additional species occur in your country, please contact the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat. Please note that some species are listed under AEWA and are native in some parts of the Agreement area, but are non-native in others.

Canada Goose / *Branta canadensis*

Confirmation of species occurrence

Please confirm the occurrence of the species in the country

The species occurs in the country

Population size

Breeding numbers

Please indicate whether estimate of the breeding numbers is available

The species is recorded only occasionally during the breeding season, but does not breed

Occasional records during breeding season (non-breeders)

Both options can be selected

Occasionally recorded, most likely natural vagrants

Minimum recorded number of occasional visitors

>>> 5

Maximum recorded number of occasional visitors

>>> 50

Period [Period (years) of the records above]

>>> 2013-2018

Last year of record [Year when the species was last recorded in the country]

>>> 2018

Additional information (optional)

Please provide any additional or complementary information to the data provided above in this section, if available

>>> only one record 2015

Non-breeding/wintering numbers

[Non-breeding/wintering distribution in the case of non-native waterbird species is defined as any areas where the species occurs outside of the breeding season]

Please indicate whether estimate of the non-breeding/wintering numbers is available

The species does not occur in the country during the non-breeding/wintering season

Additional information (optional)

Please provide any additional or complementary information to the data provided above in this section, if available

>>> none

Population trend

Breeding numbers

Please indicate whether:

The species is recorded only occasionally during the breeding season, but does not breed

Is an estimate of trends of occasional records available?

No

Non-breeding/wintering numbers

[Non-breeding/wintering distribution in the case of non-native waterbird species is defined as any areas where the species occurs outside of the breeding season]

Please indicate whether:

The species does not occur in the country during the non-breeding/wintering season

Range size and trend

Breeding range

Please indicate whether:

The species is recorded only occasionally during the breeding season, but does not breed

Range of occasional records during breeding season (non-breeders)

Please select one of the options below

Localised (less than 10 sites)

Trend of the range of occasional records

Is the trend of the range of occasional records available?

No

Additional information (optional)

Please provide any additional or complementary information to the data provided above in this section, if available

>>> none

Non-breeding/wintering range

[Non-breeding/wintering distribution in the case of non-native waterbird species is defined as any areas where the species occurs outside of the breeding season]

Please indicate whether:

The species does not occur in the country during the non-breeding/wintering season

Additional information (optional)

Please provide any additional or complementary information to the data provided above in this section, if available

>>> none

National legal and Red List status

National Legal Status

Does the species have any national protection or other legal status?

Yes

Please provide details

>>> game species

National Red List Status

Does the species have any National Red List status?

No

Assessment of risks posed by the non-native species

Please select all relevant risks from the list below

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Other

Other

Please specify the type of risk

>>> no risks

Please provide details and references, where available

>>> none

5. CONFIRMATION

Confirmation of information verification and approval for submission.

***Please confirm:**

In addition a scanned copy of an official letter from the relevant state institution, approving the report for submission, can be attached.

I declare that the information provided in the Report on the population size and trend of AEWA-listed (native) and non-native waterbird species in the Agreement area for the period 2013-2018 has been verified and the report has been approved for submission by the appropriate state institution in the country.

***Date of submission**

>>> 25 June, 2020