



National Association of Regional Game Councils

NARGC Bag Return (Birds) Research Project (2016-2017)

RGC: County:

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SPECIES	WEEK ENDING :																				Number shot on Coillte Lands	Total		
	September				October				November				December				January							
	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	31		
Red Grouse																								
Numbers seen:																								
Time spent hunting (hours)																								
Snipe																								
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Jack Snipe																								
Golden Plover																								
Mallard																								
Teal																								
Widgeon																								
Shoveler																								
Pintail																								
Tufted Duck																								
Pochard																								
Scaup																								
Gadwall																								
Golden Eye																								
Pheasant																								
Woodcock																								
Numbers seen:																								
Time spent hunting (hours)																								
Red Leg Partridge																								
Canada Geese*																								
Greyleg Geese*																								
Ruddy Duck																								
Wood Pigeon																								

* Please refer to the Open Seasons Order for the hunting of geese as there are variations in certain parts of Ireland (e.g. Cavan, Wexford, Cork and Leitrim).



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COUNTY	RED DEER		FALLOW DEER		SIKA DEER		HYBRID		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	

HARE	September 26th – 30th		October		November		January		February		Total

PIGEON	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total

RABBIT	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total

IMPORTANCE OF THE NARGC BAG RETURN RESEARCH

This ongoing research project was designed by the NARGC to deliver up to date information on bag statistics for huntable species in Ireland as a tool for their management and conservation. Last year, the NARGC included new variables requesting the numbers of Red Grouse, Snipe and Woodcock observed along with the time spent hunting (in hours). This information will allow us to produce population trends for these species, which may be an essential tool to ensure that the open (hunting) seasons order is reflective of their abundance in Ireland. Please print this form and update it regularly.

NARGC BAG RETURN CLOSING DATE: 31ST MARCH 2017
 POST TO: NARGC, Brosna Way, Ferbane Business & Technology Park,
 Ballycumber Road, Ferbane, Co. Offaly.
 For questions about the NARGC Bag Return Project, contact:
 Ms. Emma McCartney on 087-6100322 or email: bagreturns@nargc.ie

WOODCOCK/SNIPE
 Please return the wings of all Woodcock and Snipe
 (one full wing per bird) for the ongoing NARGC
 ageing research project to: Mr. Ray Devine,
 Carranaglough, Bonniclon, Ballina, Co. Mayo.