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**Licence application form – to kill geese to prevent serious damage to crops**

**The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended)**

If you need assistance filling in this form please contact the SNH Licensing Team:

Email: [licensing@nature.scot](mailto:licensing@nature.scot) Telephone: 01463 725364

Please answer all relevant questions fully and do not refer to other attached documents.

Who should use this application form

This form is for new applications for anyone who wishes to control geese on their land to prevent serious damage to their crops.

All new applications are referred to your local SNH office and to SGRPID for advice, and may require a site visit. If so, SGRPID will contact you to arrange this.

For advice on managing geese and the damage they cause please read SASA’s document [Managing Geese on Agricultural Land](http://www.sasa.gov.uk/document-library/managing-geese-agricultural-land).

Amendments

If you wish to amend a current licence please email [SNH Licensing Team](mailto:licensing@nature.scot?subject=Goose%20licence%20amendment%20request) with the licence reference number, the details you wish to change and the reasons for this change.

Renewals

If you wish to renew a licence that has expired within the last two years, you must have submitted a licence return for your expired licence before we can process your renewal. To request a renewal, please email [SNH Licensing Team](mailto:licensing@nature.scot?subject=Goose%20licence%20XXXXX%20-%20renewal%20request), quoting your previous licence number.

If your amendment/renewal request involves significant changes to your licence (e.g. increased bag limit), we may seek advice from SGRPID.

Section A: Licence holder details

Please provide the name and address of the licence holder, this person will be legally responsible for ensuring that all licence conditions are met and for submitting a return to SNH Licensing at the end of the licence period.

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| **Title** |  |
| **First name** |  |
| **Surname** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Address** |  |
| **Postcode** |  |
| **Contact telephone number(s)** |  |
| **Nature of interest in farm/property** *(e.g. owner/tenant/manager)* |  |

**B: Licence details**

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| **Farm name**  (this is how your application will be referred to in all future correspondence) |  |
| **Farm address**  (please include full postal address for the farm if different from above) |  |
| **Farm CPH number** |  |
| **Proposed start date** | Click here to enter a date. |
| **Proposed end date** | Click here to enter a date. |
| **Is the works area covered by a nature conservation designation?** *(e.g. Site of Special Scientific Interest, Special Protection Area, Special Area of Conservation etc. –* [*see our website for site locations and information*](http://gateway.snh.gov.uk/sitelink/index.jsp)*).* |  |

**Section C: Details of damage and preventative measures**

Provide details of where damage is occurring (include FIDs), crops affected, goose species and approximate numbers of geese causing damage.

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| **Field identifier** *(e.g. AB/12345/12345)* | **Approx. area in hectares** | **Type of crop** | **Goose species** | **Numbers causing damage** |
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| **Damage experienced or anticipated**  If geese are currently present please describe the damage that you are experiencing, quantifying losses if possible. If geese are not currently present please explain why you expect damage to occur *(e.g. describing damage inflicted in previous seasons).* |
| **Scaring and deterrent measures**  Please describe the activities that you have undertaken to prevent serious damage *(e.g. bags, streamers, gas-guns etc.(see* [*Managing Geese on Agricultural Land*](http://www.sasa.gov.uk/document-library/managing-geese-agricultural-land) *for deterrents and scaring methods)).* |

**Section D: Declaration**

* I understand that it is an offence under Section 17 of The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) to knowingly or recklessly provide false information in order to obtain a licence, and I declare that the particulars given in this application and any accompanying documents are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I apply for a licence in accordance with these particulars.
* I understand that failure to comply with any conditions included on any licence granted in respect of this application may constitute an offence.

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| **Date**: Click here to enter a date**.** | **Print name:**  **Electronic signature:** |

**Submitting your application form**

This application **should be submitted by email by the licence holder** as named on this licence application (in which case please print name above and a signature is not required). If this application is not submitted by the licence holder, the electronic signature of the licence holder must be inserted above, and they must be copied in to the submission email. Please email the completed application form, together with all supporting information, to:[**licensing@nature.scot**](mailto:licensing@nature.scot)

Please do not send zip files as these may be blocked by our security system and not received.

Once we have received your application, you will receive an automated email acknowledging this. Please quote the reference number given in the email if you need to contact us in relation to your application.

If you do not have access to email, you can print out and send your application and supporting information to the postal address below. Please note if you apply by post you will not receive confirmation that your application has been received.

**Licensing Section**

**Scottish Natural Heritage**

**Great Glen House**

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