

**DORNOCH FIRTH AND MORRICH MORE SPECIAL AREA OF CONSERVATION
(SAC)**

Designation date: 17 March 2005

Administrative area: Highland

Qualifying Interests for which the site is designated:

SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME
Atlantic decalcified fixed dunes (<i>Calluno-Ulicetea</i>)*	Coastal dune heathland
Atlantic salt meadows (<i>Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritimae</i>)	Atlantic salt meadows
Coastal dunes with <i>Juniperus</i> spp.*	Dunes with juniper thickets
Decalcified fixed dunes with <i>Empetrum nigrum</i> *	Lime-deficient dune heathland with crowberry
Embryonic shifting dunes	Shifting dunes
Estuaries	Estuaries
Fixed dunes with herbaceous vegetation ("grey dunes")*	Dune grassland
Humid dune slacks	Humid dune slacks
<i>Lutra lutra</i>	Otter
Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide	Intertidal mudflats and sandflats
<i>Phoca vitulina</i>	Common seal
Reefs	Reefs
<i>Salicornia</i> and other annuals colonising mud and sand	Glasswort and other annuals colonising mud and sand
Sandbanks which are slightly covered by sea water all the time	Subtidal sandbanks
Shifting dunes along the shoreline with <i>Ammophila arenaria</i> ("white dunes")	Shifting dunes with marram

* Indicates a priority habitat