

Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the conservation of wild birds (this is the codified version of Directive 79/409/EEC as amended)

CITATION FOR SPECIAL PROTECTION AREA (SPA)

SOUTH TAYSIDE GOOSE ROOSTS (UK9004401)

Site Description:

South Tayside Goose Roosts SPA comprises seven lochs, a number of smaller water bodies and other wetland habitats in Strathearn and Strathallan to the west of Perth.

The site is overlapped completely by parts of three Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI): Carsebreck and Rhynd Lochs SSSI, Drummond Lochs SSSI, and Dupplin Lakes SSSI.

Qualifying Interest N.B All figures relate to numbers at the time of classification:

South Tayside Goose Roosts SPA qualifies under **Article 4.2** by regularly supporting populations of European importance of the **migratory** species: **wigeon** *Anas penelope* (1988 to 1991, up to 16 pairs, up to <0.1% of the Western Siberia/North-western/North-eastern Europe biogeographic population and selected as one of the most suitable sites for wigeon in GB with 5.3% of the GB population) and (five year winter peak means 1985/86 to 1989/90), **pink-footed goose** *Anser brachyrhynchus* (31,800 individuals, 29% of the Eastern Greenland/Iceland/UK biogeographic population) and **greylag goose** *Anser anser* (9,700 individuals, 10% of the Iceland/UK/Ireland biogeographic population).

South Tayside Goose Roosts SPA also qualifies under **Article 4.2** by regularly supporting **in excess of 20,000 individual waterfowl**. In the five year period 1985/86 to 1989/90 the average peak winter count was at least 43,290 individual waterfowl, including nationally important populations of the following species: **pink-footed goose** (31,800 individuals, 29% of the GB population) and **greylag goose** (9,700 individuals, 10% of the GB population).

Area: 332.17 ha

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