

**Notice of a proposal to carry out an operation or activity specified by  
the Department of the Environment as likely to damage an  
Area of Special Scientific Interest (ASSI)**

*This application form is for use by legal owners or occupiers only when giving the Department written notice, in accordance with Article 32(1) of the Environment (Northern Ireland) Order 2002, of a proposal to carry out an operation specified as likely to damage an ASSI. Only forms completed by legal owners or occupiers will be deemed to be a valid application.*

**1. ASSI Name:**

**2. Your Name(s):**

**3. Address:**

**Post Code:**

**4. Telephone No:**

**5. \*Details of proposed operation:**

\* Include further information on additional pages (please see note 3 overleaf)

**6. Timing and likely duration of operation: (Please see note 2 overleaf)**

**7. Land\*\* on which operation is to be carried out:**

\*\* Please indicate the location of the operation on the site map or by a sketch map. Please quote any Department of Agriculture and Rural Development reference numbers such as Farm Survey numbers or grid reference relating to the land.

**8. I propose to carry out / permit to be carried out the above operation and hereby give notice to the Department of the Environment. I confirm I have read and understand the notes overleaf.**

**Signed:**

**Name(s):**

Name(s) of legal owners(s) in block capitals

**Date:**

## NOTES

1. Article 32 of the Environment (Northern Ireland) Order 2002 (hereinafter called the Order) provides that the owner or occupier of any land included in an ASSI should not carry out, or cause or permit to be carried out, on that land any operation or activity specified in the declaration unless notice has been given to the Department. This notice must specify the nature of the operation or activity, and clearly identify the land on which it is proposed to carry these out. The proposed operation or activity should not be carried out unless the Department has consented to it in writing, or it is carried out in accordance with a management agreement with the Department under Article 34 of the Order.
2. Any decision by the Department to refuse consent to an operation or activity, or to modify or withdraw an existing consent, may be appealed under Article 33 of the Order. An owner or occupier who has been granted consent, but who is aggrieved by conditions attached to it, may also appeal under Article 33 of the Order. If you do not receive a response within three months of your application being received you may consider it to have been refused and you can appeal as above.
3. Please attach further relevant information if necessary. This may speed up the response to your application. You should include as much detail as possible of the proposed operation or activity and how you intend to carry it out. For example, a map of the site showing the approximate dimensions of the area likely to be affected, current use of the area, details of equipment you wish to use, who will be undertaking the work, time of year, site access arrangements, reason for doing the work etc, Please include plans/technical drawings if you have them. Additional information may be provided, where appropriate via email to [CDP@doeni.gov.uk](mailto:CDP@doeni.gov.uk) However, this consent application form must be provided in hard copy, as the signature of the owner or occupier is needed for legal reasons.

Please note NIEA have a map browser for NI protected sites at <http://maps.ehsni.gov.uk/NIEAProtectedAreas/>

Further information about protection of designated sites can be found at: <http://www.ni-environment.gov.uk/protectedareashome>

If you require any assistance with the completion of this form please phone 02890 569514 / 569538.

### PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO:

**Northern Ireland Environment Agency  
Conservation Designations and Protection  
Klondyke Building  
Cromac Avenue  
Belfast  
BT7 2JA**