



List of known illegalities since the start of the autumn hunting season 2016

September

- 6th (i) Yellow-legged Gull shot down at Valletta **(1)**
- 10th (i) At least 3 Night Herons shot at Wied ir-Rum, limits of Dingli **(2-4)**
(ii) 2 Bee-eaters shot dead at Tal-Virtù in Rabat **(5-6)**
(iii) Golden Oriole shot down at Manikata **(7)**
- 12th (i) 2 Black Storks shot down in Gozo **(8-9)**
(ii) At least 1 injured White Stork observed
- 13th (i) Honey Buzzard shot down at Ħal Far **(10)**
- 14th (i) Honey Buzzard shot down at Tal-Virtù and filmed by CABS **(11)**
(ii) Injured Grey Heron filmed by CABS in Ħal Far
(iii) Freshly killed Cuckoo discovered by CABS at Tal-Virtù **(12)**
(iv) 3 stuffed protected birds (Purple Heron, Short Eared Owl and Golden Oriole) found by CABS in ditch at Ħal Far **(13-15)**
- 15th (i) Honey Buzzard shot down at Tal-Virtù in Rabat filmed by CABS **(16)**
- 17th (i) At least 3 Honey Buzzards killed in Gozo, 1 of them retrieved from the sea **(17-19)**
- 19th BirdLife Malta Raptor Camp 2016 starts**
- 20th (i) Illegal trapping in Imtaħleb during closed season
(ii) Illegal electronic callers for Linnets found at Imtaħleb
- 21st (i) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at St Thomas Bay
(ii) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Qawra Point
(iii) Stuffed Honey Buzzard found dumped by the side of the road at Pembroke (not from this year)
- 22nd (i) Injured Marsh Harrier observed at Laferla Cross
(ii) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at Delimara
(iii) Injured Grey Heron retrieved from Żejtun farmhouse courtyard **(20)**
(iv) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at Imtaħleb
(v) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Imtaħleb

- 23rd (i) Injured Marsh Harrier observed in flight at Laferla Cross
- 24th (i) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at Dwejra Lines
(ii) Grey Heron shot at Dwejra, Gozo **(21)**
(iii) Northern Wheatear shot at Delimara **(22)**
(iv) Honey Buzzard shot at Fawwara filmed by CABS **(23)**
(v) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at Clapham Junction
(vi) Shot Honey Buzzard observed at Ġebel Ciantar
(vii) Injured Hobby observed at Buskett
(viii) Injured Red Kite observed at Buskett
(ix) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at Qawra Point
- 25th (i) Bee-eater shot down at Girgenti
(ii) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at Qawra Point
(iii) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Imtaħleb
- 26th (i) Illegal electronic callers for Dotterel found at Imtaħleb
(ii) Injured Kestrel observed at Fawwara
(iii) Bee-eater shot at Laferla Cross
(iv) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Imtaħleb
- 27th (i) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Qawra Point
- 28th (i) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Qawra Point
(ii) Purple Heron shot at Delimara
- 29th (i) Illegal electronic callers for finches found at Imtaħleb
(ii) Grey Heron shot down at Imtaħleb **(24)**
(iii) Kestrel shot down at Imtaħleb **(25)**
- 30th (i) Illegal electronic callers for Dotterel and Golden Plover found at St Thomas Bay
(ii) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at Birżebbuġa
(iii) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Qawra Point

October

- 1st (i) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Qawra Point
(ii) Barn Swallow shot at Girgenti
(iii) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at Fawwara
- 2nd (i) Honey Buzzard shot at Delimara
(ii) Honey Buzzard shot at Luqa
(iii) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at Girgenti
- 3rd (i) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at St Thomas Bay
(ii) Injured Marsh Harrier observed at Buskett

- 4th (i) Illegal electronic callers for unknown species found at Dwejra Lines
(ii) 2 House Martins shot dead at Bingemma Gap **(26-27)**
(iii) Kestrel shot at Bingemma
(iv) Illegal electronic callers for waders at Qawra Point
- 5th (i) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at St Thomas Bay
(ii) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Qawra Point
- 6th (i) Common Kestrel killed at Delimara **(28)**
(ii) Two Kestrels shot down at Imtaħleb **(29-30)**
(iii) Injured Osprey observed at Buskett
(iv) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at Delimara
- 7th (i) Kestrel shot down at Clapham Junction **(31)**
(ii) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Qawra Point
(iii) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Imtaħleb
- 8th (i) Illegal electronic callers for Quail found at Clapham Junction
(ii) Illegal electronic callers for waders found at Dingli
- 9th BirdLife Malta Raptor Camp 2016 ends**
- 10th (i) Peregrine Falcon shot down at Imqabba **(32)**

- **Numbers in brackets and in bold represent known protected birds shot down this season from 1st September to 10th October 2016 for a total of 32. The numbers correspond to BirdLife Malta's press releases issued since the start of the season. Luckily the two Grey Herons (Żejtun, 22nd September and Dwejra Gozo, 24th September) survived. This comprehensive list contains only illegalities of which BirdLife Malta has evidence. The total list of illegalities observed surpasses 120.**