



# NATURA 2000 - STANDARD DATA FORM

For Special Protection Areas (SPA),  
Proposed Sites for Community Importance (pSCI),  
Sites of Community Importance (SCI) and

for Special Areas of Conservation (SAC)

SITE BG0001023  
SITENAME Rupite - Strumeshnitsa

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## 1. SITE IDENTIFICATION

<b>1.1 Type</b> B	<b>1.2 Site code</b> BG0001023	<a href="#">Back to top</a>
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### 1.3 Site name

Rupite - Strumeshnitsa

<b>1.4 First Compilation date</b> 2006-07	<b>1.5 Update date</b> 2021-11
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### 1.6 Respondent:

<b>Name/Organisation:</b>	Ministry of Environment and Water, "National Nature Protection Service" Directorate
<b>Address:</b>	Sofia Kn. Maria Luiza Blvd. 22 1000 Sofia
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### 1.7 Site indication and designation / classification dates

<b>Date site classified as SPA:</b>	0000-00
<b>National legal reference of SPA designation</b>	No data
<b>Date site proposed as SCI:</b>	2007-12
<b>Date site confirmed as SCI:</b>	2008-12
<b>Date site designated as SAC:</b>	2021-03
<b>National legal reference of SAC designation:</b>	Designation Order No. RD - 349/ 31.03.2021 (promulgated SG 57 /2021) issued by the Minister of Environment and Water.
<b>Explanation(s):</b>	Adopted by Council of Ministers Decision No. 802/04.12.2007 (promulgated SG 107/2007). Issued by the Minister of Environment and Water designation Order No. RD - 349/ 31.03.2021 (promulgated SG 57 /2021) with prohibitions and restrictions on activities contradicting the conservation objectives of the site.

## 2. SITE LOCATION

### 2.1 Site-centre location [decimal degrees]:

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F	1130	<a href="#">Aspius aspius</a>			p	84770	84770	area	P	P	C	B	A	A
I	1093	<a href="#">Austropotamobius torrentium</a>			p	291	291	i	C	G	C	A	C	B
M	1308	<a href="#">Barbastella barbastellus</a>			p	11	50	i	V	M	C	B	C	C
F	5088	<a href="#">Barbus cyclolepis</a>			p				C	DD	C	A	C	A
A	1193	<a href="#">Bombina variegata</a>			p	5	5	localities	R	M	C	A	C	A
M	1352	<a href="#">Canis lupus</a>			p				P	M	C	B	C	B
I	1914	<a href="#">Carabus menetriesi pacholei</a>			p				V	DD	C	C	A	B
I	1088	<a href="#">Cerambyx cerdo</a>			p				R	DD	C	C	C	C
F	1149	<a href="#">Cobitis taenia</a>			p	61584	61584	i	C	G	C	A	B	A
I	4045	<a href="#">Coenagrion ornatum</a>			p	10	10	localities	R	G	C	A	C	A
R	1279	<a href="#">Elaphe quatuorlineata</a>			p	6	6	localities	R	M	B	A	C	A
R	1293	<a href="#">Elaphe situla</a>			p	3	3	localities	V	P	A	A	C	A
R	1220	<a href="#">Emys orbicularis</a>			p	15	15	localities	C	G	C	A	C	A
I	4033	<a href="#">Erannis ankeraria</a>			p				P	DD	A	B	B	B
I	1074	<a href="#">Eriogaster catax</a>			p	269	701	i	V	P	B	B	C	B
I	6199	<a href="#">Euplagia quadripunctaria</a>			p	28	55	i	V	P	C	B	C	B
I	1083	<a href="#">Lucanus cervus</a>			p				R	DD	C	C	C	C
M	1355	<a href="#">Lutra lutra</a>			p	15	20	i	C	G	C	A	C	A
I	1060	<a href="#">Lycaena dispar</a>			p	2146	4292	i	C	M	C	A	B	A
R	1222	<a href="#">Mauremys caspica</a>			p	8	8	localities	R	M	A	A	B	A
M	1310	<a href="#">Miniopterus schreibersii</a>			c				V	DD	D			
I	1089	<a href="#">Morimus funereus</a>			p				R	DD	C	C	C	C
M	1323	<a href="#">Myotis bechsteinii</a>			p	11	50	i	V	M	C	B	C	C
M	1307	<a href="#">Myotis blythii</a>			p	11	50	i	R	G	C	A	C	C
M	1316	<a href="#">Myotis capaccinii</a>			c				P	DD	D			
M	1321	<a href="#">Myotis emarginatus</a>			p				V	DD	D			
M	1324	<a href="#">Myotis myotis</a>			p	11	50	i	R	M	C	B	C	C
I	1037	<a href="#">Ophiogomphus cecilia</a>			p	14	14	localities	R	G	C	A	C	A
M	1305	<a href="#">Rhinolophus euryale</a>			p				P	DD	D			
M	1304	<a href="#">Rhinolophus ferrumequinum</a>			p	50	100	i	C	G	C	B	C	C
M	1303	<a href="#">Rhinolophus hipposideros</a>			p	50	100	i	C	G	C	B	C	C
F	5339	<a href="#">Rhodeus amarus</a>			p	279128	279128	i	C	G	C	A	C	A
I	1087	<a href="#">Rosalia alpina</a>			p				R	DD	C	C	C	C
R	1219	<a href="#">Testudo graeca</a>			p	28	28	localities	C	G	C	A	C	A
R	1217	<a href="#">Testudo hermanni</a>			p	38	38	localities	C	G	C	A	C	A
A	1171	<a href="#">Triturus karelinii</a>			p	1	1	localities	V	P	C	A	C	A
I	1032	<a href="#">Unio crassus</a>			p	110970	110970	i	R	G	C	A	C	B
M	2635	<a href="#">Vormela peregusna</a>			p				P	DD	C	B	C	B

- **Group:** A = Amphibians, B = Birds, F = Fish, I = Invertebrates, M = Mammals, P = Plants, R = Reptiles
- **S:** in case that the data on species are sensitive and therefore have to be blocked for any public access enter: yes
- **NP:** in case that a species is no longer present in the site enter: x (optional)
- **Type:** p = permanent, r = reproducing, c = concentration, w = wintering (for plant and non-migratory species use permanent)

- **Unit:** i = individuals, p = pairs or other units according to the Standard list of population units and codes in accordance with Article 12 and 17 reporting (see [reference portal](#))
- **Abundance categories (Cat.):** C = common, R = rare, V = very rare, P = present - to fill if data are deficient (DD) or in addition to population size information
- **Data quality:** G = 'Good' (e.g. based on surveys); M = 'Moderate' (e.g. based on partial data with some extrapolation); P = 'Poor' (e.g. rough estimation); VP = 'Very poor' (use this category only, if not even a rough estimation of the population size can be made, in this case the fields for population size can remain empty, but the field "Abundance categories" has to be filled in)

### 3.3 Other important species of flora and fauna (optional)

Species					Population in the site				Motivation					
Group	CODE	Scientific Name	S	NP	Size		Unit	Cat.	Species Annex		Other categories			
					Min	Max		C R V P	IV	V	A	B	C	D
F		<a href="#">Alburnoides bipunctatus</a>						C					X	
P		<a href="#">Alkanna tinctoria</a>						R						X
P		<a href="#">Amygdalus delipavlovii</a>						V						X
P		<a href="#">Amygdalus webbii</a>						R						X
P		<a href="#">Anchusa macedonica</a>						R				X		
F		<a href="#">Anguilla anguilla</a>						V			X			
P		<a href="#">Asterolinon linum-stellatum</a>						R			X			
P		<a href="#">Astragalus physocalyx</a>						V					X	
F		<a href="#">Barbatula bureschi</a>						C				X		
P		<a href="#">Bisserula pelecinus</a>						V						X
A		<a href="#">Bufo viridis</a>						C					X	
F		<a href="#">Chondrostoma vardareense</a>						C				X		
P		<a href="#">Cistus incanus</a>						R						X
P		<a href="#">Colchicum bivonae</a>						R						X
R		<a href="#">Coluber caspius</a>						C					X	
R		<a href="#">Coluber najadum</a>						C					X	
P		<a href="#">Corynephorus divaricatus</a>						R			X			
P		<a href="#">Crassula tillaea</a>						R			X			
P		<a href="#">Cyclamen hederifolium</a>						R						X
P		<a href="#">Dracunculus vulgaris</a>						V			X			
R		<a href="#">Elaphe longissima</a>						V					X	
I		<a href="#">Empusa fasciata</a>						R			X			
P		<a href="#">Ephedra fragilis ssp. campylopoda</a>						V						X
M		<a href="#">Eptesicus serotinus</a>						C					X	
A		<a href="#">Hyla arborea</a>						C					X	
M		<a href="#">Hypsugo savii</a>						C					X	
P		<a href="#">Jasminum fruticans</a>						C						X
R		<a href="#">Lacerta trilineata</a>						C					X	
R		<a href="#">Lacerta viridis</a>						C					X	
F		<a href="#">Leuciscus cephalus</a>						C				X		
P		<a href="#">Lupinus graecus</a>						R						X
M		<a href="#">Myotis daubentonii</a>						C					X	



#### 4.2 Quality and importance

The SCI by itself contains important and representative habitats, but also is an uninterrupted biocorridor by the rivers connecting the higher mountains around. The site contains the most representative area with habitat 92A0 in West Bulgaria, the other areas are very small, not representative and in the transition with habitat 91E0. Here 92A0 is represented with a very old *Populus alba* forest by the Struma River, that in the past dominated the whole south Struma River valley but has suffered greatly from cutting and artificial forests plantations. There are good conditions for restoration of this habitat over big areas in the whole site. The site also conserves some century-old *Platanus orientalis* forests on the upper Strumeshnitza River and its tributaries one of the three most representative areas for protecting the 92C0 habitat in Bulgaria. In many areas, including the lower courses of the rivers, there are galleries of *Alnus glutinosa* (91E0). The site is one of the two places in Bulgaria where habitat 6420 is found. It is the only site in West Bulgaria for protection of the very rare *Mauremys caspica*. The shrubs and the slopes by the valleys form a natural mosaic of habitats and biocorridos for the thermophilic fauna - *Elaphe situla*, *Elaphe quatorlineata*, *Testudo graeca*, *Testudo hermanni*.

#### 4.3 Threats, pressures and activities with impacts on the site

The most important impacts and activities with high effect on the site

Negative Impacts			
Rank	Threats and pressures [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside/outside [i o b]
H	B		i
M	J02.05		i
M	E03.01		i
M	C01.01		i
M	J01		i
L	F03.02		i
M	B02.03		i
M	E03.03		i
L	F04		i
M	J02		i
M	E01		i
M	G01.03		i
L	A02		i
H	A04.03		i
H	B02.01		i
L	D02.01		i
M	F03.02.01		i
L	H07		i
M	E02		i
L	A07		i
M	B02.04		i
L	A08		i
H	F03.01		i
M	A09		i
M	B03		i
H	D01.02		i
H	F03.02.03		i
M	J02.03		i
H	B01.02		i
M	B02.02		i

Rank: H = high, M = medium, L = low

Pollution: N = Nitrogen input, P = Phosphor/Phosphate input, A = Acid input/acidification,

T = toxic inorganic chemicals, O = toxic organic chemicals, X = Mixed pollutions

i = inside, o = outside, b = both

Positive Impacts			
Rank	Activities, management [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside /outside [i o b]

#### 4.4 Ownership (optional)

#### 4.5 Documentation

Initial proposal and description of the site made by Balkani Wildlife Society, office@balkani.org , tel.:+359 2 963 14 70; Centre for Environmental Information and Education, ceie@ceie.org , tel.: +359 2 980 8497Data revised by a team of Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (http://www.bas.bg).New data provided by project "Mapping and assessment of the conservation status of the natural habitats and species - Phase 1" (see link).

Link(s): <http://natura2000.moew.government.bg/Home/ProtectedSite?code=BG0001023&siteType=HabitatDirective>

## 5. SITE PROTECTION STATUS (optional)

### 5.1 Designation types at national and regional level:

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Code	Cover [%]	Code	Cover [%]	Code	Cover [%]
BG05	1.7	BG03	0.6454358	BG06	0.0742482
BG00	97.580316				

### 5.2 Relation of the described site with other sites:

designated at national or regional level:

Type code	Site name	Type	Cover [%]
BG05	Belasitsa	*	1.7
BG03	Kozhuh	+	0.6454358
BG06	Rupita	+	0.0742482

### 5.3 Site designation (optional)

## 6. SITE MANAGEMENT

### 6.1 Body(ies) responsible for the site management:

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Organisation:	Regional Inspectorate of Environment and Water: Blagoevgrad
Address:	
Email:	

### 6.2 Management Plan(s):

An actual management plan does exist:

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> No, but in preparation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

### 6.3 Conservation measures (optional)

## 7. MAP OF THE SITES

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INSPIRE ID:

Map delivered as PDF in electronic format (optional)

Yes  No

Reference(s) to the original map used for the digitalisation of the electronic boundaries (optional).

