



# 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 BG0000613

SITENAME Reka Iskar

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## 1. SITE IDENTIFICATION

<b>1.1 Type</b> B	<b>1.2 Site code</b> BG0000613	<a href="#">Back to top</a>
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### 1.3 Site name

Reka Iskar
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<b>1.4 First Compilation date</b> 2005-11	<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
<b>Email:</b>	natura2000@moew.government.bg

### 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>	2007-03
<b>Date site confirmed as SCI:</b>	2008-12
<b>Date site designated as SAC:</b>	No data
<b>National legal reference of SAC designation:</b>	No data
<b>Explanation(s):</b>	Adopted by Council of Ministers Decision No. 122/02.03.2007 (promulgated SG 21/2007). Corrected and extended site borders by Council of Ministers Decision No. 588/06.08.2021 (promulgated SG 67/2021).

## 2. SITE LOCATION

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

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Longitude

Latitude





M	2635	<a href="#">Vormela peregusna</a>			p				P	DD	C	A	C	A
F	1160	<a href="#">Zingel streber</a>			p	1363800	1363800	area	P	P	C	A	C	A
F	1159	<a href="#">Zingel zingel</a>			p				C	DD	B	A	C	A

- **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
R		<a href="#">Ablepharus kitaibelii</a>						P					X	
F		<a href="#">Alburnoides bipunctatus</a>						C					X	
F		<a href="#">Alburnus alburnus</a>						C						X
F		<a href="#">Barbus barbus</a>						C						X
A		<a href="#">Bufo viridis</a>						P					X	
F		<a href="#">Chondrostoma nasus</a>						C						X
I		<a href="#">Chthonius troglodytes</a>						P				X		
R		<a href="#">Coluber caspius</a>						P					X	
R		<a href="#">Elaphe longissima</a>						P					X	
F		<a href="#">Gobio gobio</a>												X
A		<a href="#">Hyla arborea</a>						C					X	
R		<a href="#">Lacerta viridis</a>						C					X	
F		<a href="#">Leuciscus cephalus</a>						C						X
F		<a href="#">Leuciscus idus</a>												X
R		<a href="#">Natrix tessellata</a>						C					X	
P		<a href="#">Paeonia peregrina</a>						P			X			
A		<a href="#">Pelobates fuscus</a>						P					X	
R		<a href="#">Podarcis muralis</a>						R					X	
R		<a href="#">Podarcis taurica</a>						C					X	
A		<a href="#">Rana dalmatina</a>						P					X	
I		<a href="#">Roncus parablothroides</a>						P				X		
P		<a href="#">Salvinia natans</a>						P					X	
F		<a href="#">Silurus glanis</a>						R					X	
I		<a href="#">Siro beschkovi</a>						P				X		
I		<a href="#">Speocyclops infernus</a>						P				X		
I		<a href="#">Speocyclops lindbergi</a>						P				X		
I		<a href="#">Trachelipus bulgaricus</a>						P				X		
P		<a href="#">Trapa natans</a>						P			X			

I		<a href="#">Trichoniscus bureschi</a>						P				X		
P		<a href="#">Utricularia vulgaris</a>						P			X			
R		<a href="#">Vipera ammodytes</a>						P					X	

- **Group:** A = Amphibians, B = Birds, F = Fish, Fu = Fungi, I = Invertebrates, L = Lichens, M = Mammals, P = Plants, R = Reptiles
- **CODE:** for Birds, Annex IV and V species the code as provided in the reference portal should be used in addition to the scientific name
- **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)
- **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](#))
- **Cat.:** Abundance categories: C = common, R = rare, V = very rare, P = present
- **Motivation categories:** IV, V: Annex Species (Habitats Directive), A: National Red List data; B: Endemics; C: International Conventions; D: other reasons

## 4. SITE DESCRIPTION

### 4.1 General site character

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Habitat class	% Cover
N12	18.0
N20	15.0
N06	10.0
N09	25.0
N07	2.0
N10	5.0
N08	10.0
N16	15.0
<b>Total Habitat Cover</b>	<b>100</b>

### Other Site Characteristics

The site "Reka Iskar" is the course of the Iskar River with a big complex of different alluvial forest types. The bed of the river is not completely rectified. There are many old river beds with different aquatic communities mostly with *Typha* spp., *Phragmites australis*.

### 4.2 Quality and importance

The site is one of the most important in Bulgaria for the preservation of different kind of riverine habitats - alluvial forests, old river beds, flooded areas. It has rich hydrophilous flora and fauna including many rare species as *Trapa natans*, fishes, invertebrates, birds, mammals.

### 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	A01		o
M	J02.01.01		i
L	A04		i
M	E01		o
M	K01.02		i
H	J02.12		i
H	A01		i
M	C01.01		i
M	L08		i
L	E03		i
M	K01.01		i
M	E03.01		i
H	B		i

Positive Impacts			
Rank	Activities, management [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside/outside [i o b]
L	F02.03		i
M	D01.02		i
L	A04		i

M	E03.02		i
H	E01		i
H	J02.05.02		i
H	B		o
L	F02.03		i
M	H		i
L	E04.01		i
M	D01.02		i
M	J02.05.02		o

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

#### 4.4 Ownership (optional)

#### 4.5 Documentation

Initial proposal and description of the site made by R. Tzonev - Department of Ecology, Sofia University; T. Stefanov -NMNH, tisho@nmnh.bas.bg; Balkani Wildlife Society; Green Balkans, office@greenbalkans.org; Bulgarian Biodiversity Foundation, bbf@biodiversity.bg ; Wilderness Fund; V. Popov, I. Pandurski, S. Zidarova - Institute of Zoology, BAS. Data 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=BG0000613&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 [%]
BG03	0.069	BG06	0.893	BG00	99.038

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

designated at national or regional level:

Type code	Site name	Type	Cover [%]
BG03	Kaleto	+	0.053
BG06	Cholashki orman	+	0.872
BG03	Tashkovoto	+	0.016
BG06	Ormana	+	0.021

#### 5.3 Site designation (optional)

The Iskar River has the most preserved complex of different alluvial forest habitats in Northern Bulgaria. This is the biggest river in the North part of Bulgaria. The diversity of bird species is big. Many of the old river beds now are marshes with different aquatic communities.

### 6. SITE MANAGEMENT

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

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

#### 6.2 Management Plan(s):

An actual management plan does exist:

Yes

No, but in preparation

No

### 6.3 Conservation measures (optional)

Ecological forest management. Restoration of the part of water courses, they must pass across the old river bed. Restraint of non-natural forest cultivation, restoration of natural forests - Quercus robur, Populus alba, Populus nigra, Salix alba.

## 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).