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Protected sites: Special Protection Areas - GIS dataset

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Title	Protected sites: Special Protection Areas - GIS dataset
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Abstract	<p>This is a GIS dataset containing spatial objects such as points, lines, and polygons. It contains the digital boundaries of all SPAs in Wales. The EC Birds Directive of 1979 requires member states to establish Special Protection Areas to conserve the habitats of two categories of birds:- i) Species which are rare or vulnerable, of which there are forty-eight in the UK. ii) Some migratory species which visit our shores regularly. SPAs in Wales are identified by CCW, in conjunction with the UK Joint Nature Conservation Committee, and designated by the First Minister for the Welsh Assembly Government. They are also protected through being SSSIs. The 1994 Conservation Regulations also provide a means of protecting such areas at sea. SPAs together with SACs will contribute to a European Union network of protected sites to be known as 'Natura 2000' (N2K sites).</p>

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Role	Originator
Topic category	Biota
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Topic category	

Keyword

Keyword	Protected sites
Keyword	Birds
Keyword	Biodiversity
Keyword	Nature conservation

Extent

Geographic bounding box

West bound	-6.380730215352005
East bound	-2.3737563270110202
South bound	51.079376269720505

Lineage

Statement	Originally produced as paper maps and in 2003, all SPAs were digitised to OS landline to bring them up to the same standard of capture, area figures calculated to Cartesian projection and Latitude and Longitude to WGS84 projection. This dataset was then updated to OS MasterMap (CCW 2006 edition post PAI) and launched in June 2008. All SPAs designated before the advent of GIS technology have been converted into digital data from paper maps of various scales. In 2008 the whole dataset was updated to OS MasterMap (to CCW 2006 OS update). This update made reference back to original designation maps and all notational descriptions on these maps e.g. boundary follows MHWM and is liable to change. All new or re-designated sites will be put to the latest release by CCW, of OS MasterMap, and this information is recorded in the attribute data. Digital data captured to 1:2500 /1:10,000 (OS MasterMap has variable scale from uplands to urban areas)
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Resource constraints

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