Establishing conservation objectives and conservation measures for Natura 2000 sites and applying critical loads/levels at sites

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Scotland - existing format for SAC habitats

To avoid deterioration of the qualifying habitats (listed below) thus ensuring that the integrity of the site is maintained and the site makes an appropriate contribution to achieving favourable conservation status for each of the qualifying features; and

To ensure for the qualifying habitats that the following are maintained in the long term:

• Extent of the habitat on site
• Distribution of the habitat within site
• Structure and function of the habitat
• Processes supporting the habitat
• Distribution of typical species of the habitat
• Viability of typical species as components of the habitat
• No significant disturbance of typical species of the habitat
Scotland - existing format for SAC species & for SPAs

To avoid deterioration of the habitats of the qualifying species (listed below) or significant disturbance to the qualifying species, thus ensuring that the integrity of the site is maintained and the site makes an appropriate contribution to achieving favourable conservation status for each of the qualifying features; and

To ensure for the qualifying species that the following are maintained in the long term:

- Population of the species as a viable component of the site
- Distribution of the species within site
- Distribution and extent of habitats supporting the species
- Structure, function and supporting processes of habitats supporting the species
- No significant disturbance of the species