LICENCE - Science, Education & Conservation only

This licence authorises acts that would otherwise be offences under the above legislation



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Any request for information in this licence will be considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 and the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as appropriate.

Natural England Ref:	2019-43212-SCI-SCI

Under the Natural England has granted this licence for Great crested newts for the purpose of:

Conserving wild animals, under section 55(2)(c) and section 16(3)(c)

to:

Name (in full):	Mr Giles Sutton	
Company Name:	GS Ecology Limited	
Address:	119, Highgrove Street Reading	
County:	Berkshire	
Postcode:	RG1 5EJ	

Between the dates of:

15 February 2020	and	01 October 2020	inclusive
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At (locations):

Site/Location Name	County	OS Grid Reference	
Sherfield-on-Loddon Village Pond	Berkshire	SU679576	

For the following species:

Species Common Name (Taxonomic Name)	Number	Activity	Method	Detailed Location	OS Grid Reference
Great crested newt (Triturus cristatus)	50	Disturb	Hand	Sherfield-on- Loddon Village Pond.	SU679576
Great crested newt (Triturus cristatus)	50	Disturb	Destructive search	Sherfield-on- Loddon Village Pond.	SU679576

This licence is granted subject to the licensee, including servants and named agents, adhering to the conditions and notes specified below.

Signature:	Paul Fulcher	Date:	19 November 2019
	(for and on behalf of Natural Er	ngland)	

WARNING

- This licence authorises acts that would otherwise be offences under the . Any departure from the conditions relating to this licence may be an offence under that legislation;
- This licence conveys no authority for actions prohibited by any other legislation;
- This licence can be modified or revoked at any time by Natural England, but this will not be done unless there are good reasons for doing so. The licence is likely to be revoked immediately if it is discovered that false information had been provided which resulted in the issue of the licence.

LICENCE CONDITIONS

- 1. These conditions apply to the licensee and any additional authorised person. The licensee and any additional authorised person(s) are responsible for ensuring that any licensed operations/ activities comply with all terms and conditions of the licence.
- 2. The licensee and any additional authorised person(s), shown on the licence, may act under the authority of this licence. The licensee or any additional authorised person(s) may also employ assistants provided they work under the direct personal supervision of the licensee or authorised person.
- 3. Whilst engaged in activities permitted by this licence, the licensee and/or any additional authorised person(s), must have access to a copy of this licence and produce it to any police officer or any Natural England officer on demand.

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- 4. The Licensee and any additional authorised person(s) shall permit an officer of Natural England, accompanied by such persons as he/she considers necessary for the purpose, on production of his/her identification on demand, reasonable access to the site for monitoring purposes and to be present during any operations carried out under the authority of this licence for the purpose of ascertaining whether the conditions of this licence are being, or have been, complied with. The Licensee shall give all reasonable assistance to an officer of Natural England and any persons accompanying him/her.
- 5. This licence does not convey any right of entry upon land, and the landowner's/occupier's prior permission must be obtained, as necessary, before the licence is used.
- 6. No licensed activity shall be carried out under this licence on a National Nature Reserve or Marine Nature Reserve except with the prior written permission of Natural England.
- 7. A person authorised by the licensee shall provide him/her with such information as is within his/her knowledge and is necessary for the Report, which the licensee is required to make to Natural England.
- 8. The 'Report by licensee of action taken under licence' must be completed, even if no licensed action is taken. It must be submitted on line or sent to the Natural England office at the address shown on this licence, to arrive no later than 14 days (two weeks) after the expiry of the licence. Failure to make a report may result in the licence being revoked and/or any future applications being refused.

Additional condition(s):

AC01. Activities under this licence are to be undertaken in accordance with the Project Plan.

AC02. No agent of the licensee shall carry out any of the activities to which this licence (including any Annex and Work Schedule if applicable) applies unless authorised in writing by the licensee, appointing them the licensee's agent. The agent shall make a copy of the authorisation available for and shall produce it on demand to any constable or officer of Natural England.

AC03. A person authorised by the licensee shall provide him/her with such information as is within his/her knowledge and is necessary for the report, which the licensee is required to make to Natural England.

AC04. The licensee, including servants and named agents, must adhere to the activities; the licensable methods; the numbers per species (if relevant) and the timescales agreed between the Licensee and Natural England in the Method Statement or, if applicable, in the Annex and Work Schedule attached to the licence.

AC05. All activities authorised by this licence, and all equipment used in connection herewith shall be carried out, constructed and maintained (as the case may be) so as to avoid cruelty, unnecessary injury or distress to any species covered by this licence.

AC06. Methods used in connection with the execution of this licence must comply with the relevant published mitigation guidelines, unless otherwise agreed with Natural England.

AC07. Good practice and reasonable avoidance measures must be followed at all times.

AC08. All records are to be made available for inspection at any reasonable time by Natural England.

Additional condition(s):

AC09. The licensee and named ecologist are responsible for all activities of the persons they have appointed in connection with this licence.

AC10. The ecologist named on the licence is authorised to appoint such persons in writing to enable them them to handle Great Crested Newts for the specific task of relocating animals from pitfall traps and/or artificial refugia (e.g. carpet tiles) either to the opposite side of the exclusion fencing or to the receptor site, as appropriate. Those appointed persons will be classed as assistants and will only be covered by this licence if they have received appropriate training which includes the handling and welfare of the species. Such persons, who may be site staff or field workers are not required to hold individual Great Crested Newt licences and may work unsupervised. Persons appointed as assistants by the ecologist named on this licence will be required to produce on demand their written authorisation to a police constable or an officer of Natural England.

NOTES

- 1. Please read the details of your licence carefully to ensure that you comply with it paying particular attention to the number and species licensed as this may differ to what was requested in your application.
- 2. Under Regulation 60(1) of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended), it is an offence to contravene or fail to comply with a licence condition. This includes all persons authorised to act under this licence.
- 3. An additional authorised person is a suitably trained and experienced person who is able to carry out work under a licence without the personal supervision of the licensee. To carry out licensed activities their name will be on the licence. To comply with the licence conditions, additional licenced persons should have a copy of the licence accessible when acting under the licence.
- 4. An assistant is a person assisting the licensee or the additional authorised person(s). Assistants are only authorised to act under a licence whilst they are under the direct supervision of either the licensee or the additional authorised person(s).
- 5. Please note the information of the 'Report by licensee of action taken under licence' may have changed from previous years. The data required in your report and the required format can been viewed on the Natural England website. Alternatively you can request a copy from the Natural England address shown on your licence.

Additional note(s):

Additional Authorised Individuals

The additional authorised individuals listed below are also authorised to act under the terms and conditions of this licence:

Title	First Name	Surname	Address Line 1	Postcode
Mr	Giles	Sutton	GS Ecology, 119 Highgrove Street	RG1 5EJ
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Mr	Myriam	El Harouchi	GS Ecology, Suite 9 Beacontree Court	RG2 0BS