

Answer to Requests 1-4

Please find under details of all reported badger related incidents, broken down by year, reported date, County location and nature of the report where recorded by PSNI

The legislation relevant to this type of crime is:

- The Wildlife Order (Northern Ireland) 1985 as amended by the Wildlife and Natural Environment Act 2011.

PSNI can advise that Badgers and their Setts are protected as per the Wildlife (NI) Order 1985. Section 10(4) which states the following:

- (4) Subject to the provisions of this Part, if any person intentionally or recklessly —*
- (a) damages or destroys, or obstructs access to, any structure or place which any wild animal included in Schedule 5 uses for shelter or protection;*
- (b) damages or destroys anything which conceals or protects any such structure; or*
- (c) disturbs any such animal while it is occupying a structure or place which it uses for shelter or protection,*
- he shall be guilty of an offence*

Complete information on convictions should be available from the Northern Ireland Courts Service

Please note

"SUSP" in the table under is "suspected"

<u>DATE</u>	<u>INCIDENT TYPE</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
04/01/2019	SUSP BADGER BAITING	DOWN
05/01/2019	SUSP BADGER BAITING	FERMANAGH
06/01/2019	SUSP BADGER BAITING	DOWN
17/01/2019	SETT DISTURBANCE	DOWN
26/01/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	DOWN
28/01/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	ANTRIM
28/01/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	ANTRIM
31/01/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	ANTRIM
31/01/2019	SETT DISTURBANCE	LONDONDERRY
04/02/2019	SUSP BADGER BAITING	DOWN
08/02/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	DOWN
09/02/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	ARMAGH
10/02/2019	SUSP BADGER BAITING	TYRONE
10/02/2019	SUSP BADGER BAITING	ANTRIM
11/02/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	MOTORWAY
13/02/2019	SETT DISTURBANCE	DOWN
16/02/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	MOTORWAY
18/02/2019	SETT DISTURBANCE	ANTRIM
19/02/2019	SUSP BADGER BAITING	LONDONDERRY
19/02/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	DOWN
19/02/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	DOWN
21/02/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	ANTRIM
23/02/2019	SUSP BADGER BAITING	DOWN
25/02/2019	INJURED NO SUSPICION	MOTORWAY
26/02/2019	SUSP BADGER BAITING	DOWN
01/03/2019	SUSP BADGER BAITING	DOWN