

Dee Estuary SAC



Dee Estuary SAC was classified as an SAC in August 2007 and was updated in December 2015. It covers an area of approximately 158km². Dee Estuary SPA and SAC overlap the same area.

SAC primary designated features: (1140) Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide; (1310) Salicornia and other annuals colonizing mud and sand; (1330) Atlantic salt meadows (*Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritimae*).

SAC secondary designated features: (1130) Estuaries; (1150) Coastal lagoons; (1210) Annual vegetation of drift lines; (1230) Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic Coasts; (1320) *Spartina* swards (*Spartinion maritimae*); (2110) Embryonic shifting dunes; (2120) Shifting dunes along the shoreline with *Ammophila arenaria* ("white dunes"); (2130) Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation ("grey dunes"); (2190) Humid dune slacks; (4030) European dry heaths.

Designated species: Sea lamprey; River lamprey; Petalwort.

Management: Dee Estuary SAC is managed by Natural England and Natural Resource Wales. Management plan - [Dee Estuary-Reg33-Volume 1-English-091209_1.pdf](#) (naturalresources.wales)

Natural England Advice - [Marine site detail \(naturalengland.org.uk\)](http://naturalengland.org.uk)

Site information - [Dee Estuary/ Aber Dyfrdwy - Special Areas of Conservation \(jncc.gov.uk\)](http://jncc.gov.uk)

Standard data form - [UK0030131.pdf \(jncc.gov.uk\)](#)

Magic map: [Magic Map Application \(defra.gov.uk\)](http://defra.gov.uk)