



Winners of the
Queen's Award



Water vole (*Arvicola amphibious*)

Stop Wildlife Crime



Peregrine (*Falco peregrinus*)

Badger (*Meles meles*)



Fox (*Vulpes vulpes*)



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Wildlife crime consists of the illegal practices of trading wild animals, inflicting harm or stress upon an animal and the destruction of protected habitats and flora. These types of crime are detrimental to populations of rare species and they must be stopped.

Be aware of the possible crimes in your area:

- The removal of buildings and mature trees threaten bat habitats.
- Dog hunting activities around deer and hare populations are a sign of poaching.
- Bird egg collections remain illegal if made after 1954.
- The removal of hedges, which could be an 'Important hedgerow' or could affect nesting birds.
- The filling in/work on ditches, could be a habitat for water voles.

Find out more by visiting the UK National Wildlife Crime Unit online. If you see a wildlife crime taking place, call **999** and contact the police. For wildlife crimes previously witnessed, dial **101**. To report a wildlife crime confidentially, phone **Crime Stoppers at +44 0800 555 111**.



Roe deer (*Capreolus capreolus*)



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