

SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION 549.48

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MAJJISTRAL, NATURE AND HISTORY PARK REGULATIONS

7th September, 2007

*LEGAL NOTICE 251 of 2007, as amended by Legal Notices 224 of 2009
and 184 of 2025.*

1. The title of these regulations is the Establishment of the *Majjistral*, Nature and History Park Regulations. Citation.
2. For the purpose of these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires: Interpretation.
*Substituted by:
L.N. 184 of 2025.*
 - "Act" means the Environment Protection Act; Cap. 549.
 - "competent authority" means the Environment and Resources Authority as established by article 6 of the Act;
 - "management plan" means the Natura 2000 Management Plan or equivalent conservation measures including conservation orders or protection notices as established through the Flora, Fauna and Natural Habitats Protection Regulations"; S.L. 549.44.
 - "Minister" means the Minister responsible for the environment;
 - "Park" means the *Majjistral*, Nature and History Park as established by regulation 3.
3. (1) The Minister hereby declares as protected, the area in the North West of Malta, as delineated in the site map found in Annex I to these regulations, and for such purpose is hereby establishing a Nature and History Park that shall incorporate and include the said protected area. Establishment of the Park.
- (2) The Minister may, by notice in the Gazette, extend the boundaries of the said Park.
4. The Park shall be called the *Majjistral*, Nature and History Park. Name of the Park.
5. The designation of the Park is to protect the ecological processes, as well as the species, natural habitats, features and characteristics of the area and, in this regard, the competent authority may, from time to time, determine additional levels of protection within the Park, as may be required. Status of the Park.
*Substituted by:
L.N. 184 of 2025.*
6. There shall be a management structure for the management of the Park, which shall be made up of a management board and the managing organisations. Management of the Park.
7. The management board is hereby established, which is to be known as the "Majjistral, Nature and History Park Management Board", hereinafter referred to as "the Board". Establishment of the Board.

Management
plans.
S.L. 549.44.
Substituted by:
L.N. 184 of 2025.

8. (1) In accordance with the provisions of the Flora, Fauna and Natural Habitats Protection Regulations, the competent authority may, in consultation with the Board, issue management plans for the Park.

(2) The competent authority, with the assistance of the Board, shall supervise the implementation of the management plans which shall be implemented by the managing organisations.

(3) Without prejudice to the provisions of sub-regulations (1) and (2), the Board shall act as a contact point between Government, stakeholders and the managing organisations for the implementation of the management plan.

Composition of the
Board.
Amended by:
L.N. 224 of 2009;
L.N. 184 of 2025.

9. (1) The Board shall be composed of not less than six (6) members and not more than nine (9) members who shall be appointed by the Minister for a term of three (3) years, renewable for further periods, as follows:

- (a) a Chairperson;
- (b) a representative of the competent authority;
- (c) two (2) members representing the Government;
- (d) a maximum of three (3) members from non-governmental organisations holding agreements for the management of the Park; and
- (e) a representative from the Local Council of Meliëha.

(2) The Board shall regulate its own procedure.

(3) The Chairperson shall have a casting vote.

Appointment of
managing
organisations.
Amended by:
L.N. 224 of 2009;
L.N. 184 of 2025.

10. (1) For the implementation of the management plan according to regulation 8(2), the Minister shall appoint managing organisations from time to time by written agreements between the Minister, or his representative, and the competent authority on the one hand, and the managing organisations on the other, for periods of five years, renewable for further periods.

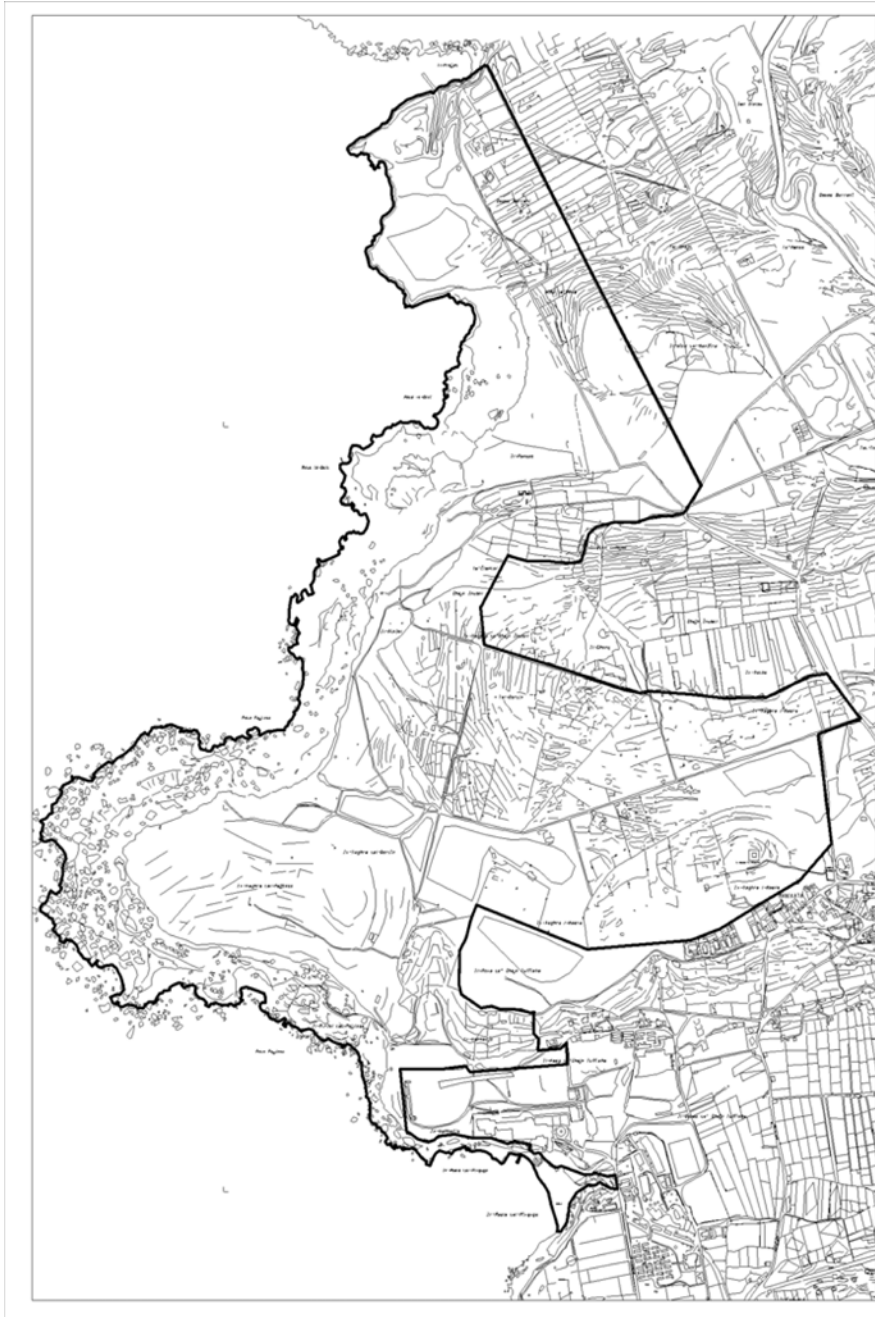
(2) The rights and duties of the managing organisations shall be laid out in the said written agreements.

(3) The Park Manager shall abide by any law, regulation or other official order given by the Board and shall not carry out any works or appoint any person to carry out works in the Park unless the Board would have previously given its approval.

(4) The Park Manager may in cases of emergency take any action as necessary and inform the Board immediately of his actions.

Other agreements.

11. Subject to regulation 10, the Minister or his representative may enter into an agreement with any non-government organization working in the fields of heritage or environmental management to carry out specific tasks related to the Majjistral, Nature and History Park.

ANNEX I
(Regulation 3)

ANNEX II

Deleted by Legal Notice 184 of 2025.
