



GOZ008 - Tas-Seqer

Description

Tas-Seqer is an artificially constructed pond, located in north-western Gozo, within Għarb. This pond covers an area of approximately 1,635m². The pond was excavated manually and is not accessible to the public as it is locked behind a gate, on privately-owned land. The pond is predominantly surrounded by agricultural land, indicating that it is likely to be used for irrigation of these fields. Due to limited accessibility, it is unclear what species are present within the pond and its basin. There is no data present regarding wildlife, however, it is likely that birds visit to drink and for aquatic insects to be present. The site is not protected by any legislation.

General information

Basic information

Wetland location:	Inland
Wetland type:	Natural
Natural / Artificial:	Seasonal freshwater pond
Area (Ha):	0.20
Hydrological interaction with other wetland:	No -
Water salinity:	Fresh (< 0.5 g/l)
Fresh water entry:	Catchment area (precipitation)
Surface water runoff:	Other
Open water area (%):	76 - 95
Hydroperiod:	Unknown

Geographic information

Census district:	Gozo and Comino
Island:	Gozo
Local council:	L-Ghasri
Coordinates (WGS84):	14.222710 E - 36.055530 N

Wetland condition

Wetland condition:	3 - Original habitats/landform partially modified (10-50% untouched)
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Ramsar wetland types

Ramsar type	Coverage (%)
Ts -- Seasonal/intermittent freshwater marshes/pools on inorganic soils; includes sloughs, potholes, seasonally flooded meadows, sedge marshes	

Property status

Private

Protection statuses & other designations

Ecosystem Services, Activities & Impacts

Ecosystem Services

Type of Ecosystem service	Ecosystem service	Scale of Benefit	Importance
Provisioning services	Food		
Provisioning services	Fresh water		
Regulatory services	Water regulation		

Activities on wetland

Activities	Intensity
020 = Resource conservation	High
130 = Irrigation	High
701 = water pollution	High

Activities on drainage basin

Activities	Intensity
100 = Cultivation	High
110 = Use of pesticides	High
120 = Fertilisation	High
130 = Irrigation	High
402 = discontinuous urbanisation	Low
701 = water pollution	High

Impacts

Impact type	Intensity
EE- = Increase of economic potential	
ES- = Increase in water supply	
PF- = Fertilizer/Excess nutrient pollution	
PP- = Pesticide pollution	

Habitats & Vegetation

Vegetation types

Vegetation type	Coverage (%)
Floating-leaved	76 - 95

Species

References

Representative Image & Map

