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### **Code of conduct for ringers (Small Island Project, Ponza)**

1. The ringers should read the protocol, (<http://www.inanellamentoponza.it/english.asp?page=protocollo>), well in advance of the start of the activities.
2. Before the start of the ringing activity, each ringer must be standardized with the other members of the ringer team for the collection of the biometric data; 40 birds of different species, sex and age will be used for the standardization procedures.
3. Only Ringers with a A certification from ISPRA (the Agency coordinating bird ringing in Italy) are allowed to ring in the morning. From 12<sup>00</sup> until 21<sup>00</sup>; trainees are also allowed to ring under the supervision of an A-Ringer.
4. When more than 20 birds are caught during the last net round, the birds should be ringed the next morning.
5. Ringing trainees should make the last net round and ring the birds caught during the last net round.
6. The bags for the transportation of the birds, the chairs etc. have to be put in the ringing house or under the ringing table overnight and the battery charger have to be switched off at the end of each day.
7. The Research Center should always be kept clean. Do not litter and leave cigarettes, plastic, papers and other trashes on the ground. There are special trash containers available at the Center and they should be used and emptied regularly.
8. Do not leave personal belongings on the ringing table. Jackets and backpacks should be left in the ringing house. The station cannot be made responsible for lost or stolen items.
9. Smoking is not permitted at the ringing table and around the ringing tent.

If you require any further information, feel free to ask us.

Thank you for your collaboration,

The CISCA team