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- Appendix 1 – 2nd text box, 1st paragraph. Amend (from Wetlands International) from:

> **Researchers who plan to colour mark shorebirds** should refer to this Protocol for the assigned colour combination of their banding location. Before colour marking any birds, researchers should approach their national banding offices for approval. The EAAF Partnership Shorebird Working Group can help connect researchers with any relevant shorebird colour marking sites/organisations that share the same or similar combination. This approach should ensure that the new colour marking does not duplicate with ongoing colour marking projects.

To:

"**Researchers who plan to colour mark shorebirds** must refer to this Protocol for the assigned colour combination of bands/leg-flags for their banding location. Before colour-marking any birds, researchers must approach the relevant national banding office(s) for permission to mark and for approval or the colour scheme. If a country where birds are planned to be marked does not have a national scheme, the scheme of a nearby country shall be requested for permission to use their national scheme and leg-flag colour scheme.

If colour bands are planned to be used next to leg-flags, the choice of the colours and the colour scheme requires flyway-wide coordination. In the case of shorebirds, an approved band-colour scheme should be obtained from the EAAF Partnership Shorebird Working Group, to avoid multiple use of the same combinations."

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