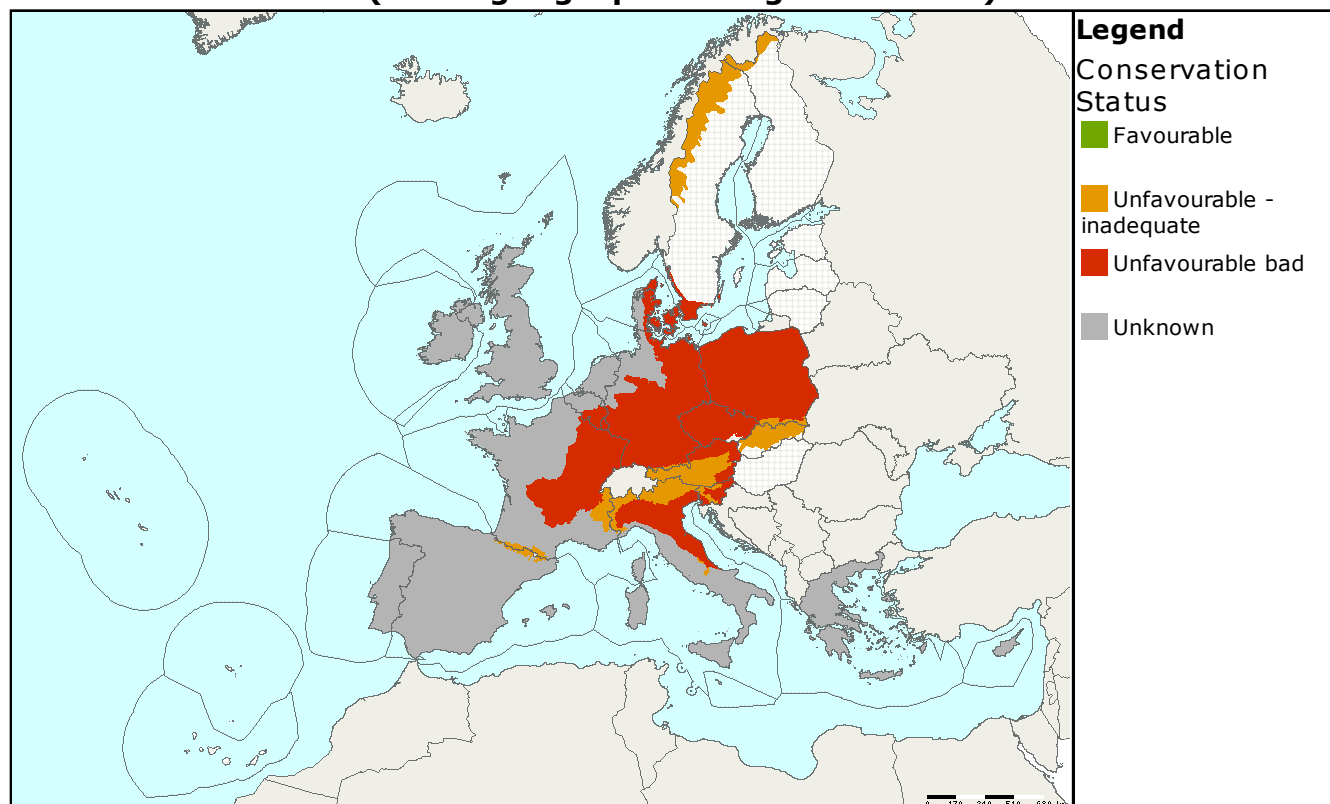




Habitat code: **3240**
 Habitat name: **Alpine rivers and their ligneous vegetation with *Salix elaeagnos***

Habitat group: **freshwater habitats**
 Regions: **ALP ATL CON MED**

Assessments of conservation status at the European level (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



MS	Biogeographic Region	Conservation status assessment					Km ²	Trend in area
		Range	Area	Structure & function	Future prospects	Overall		
EU25	ALP	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	212	
EU25	ATL	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	3.65	=
EU25	CON	Yellow	Red	Red	Red	Red	79	
EU25	MED	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	60	

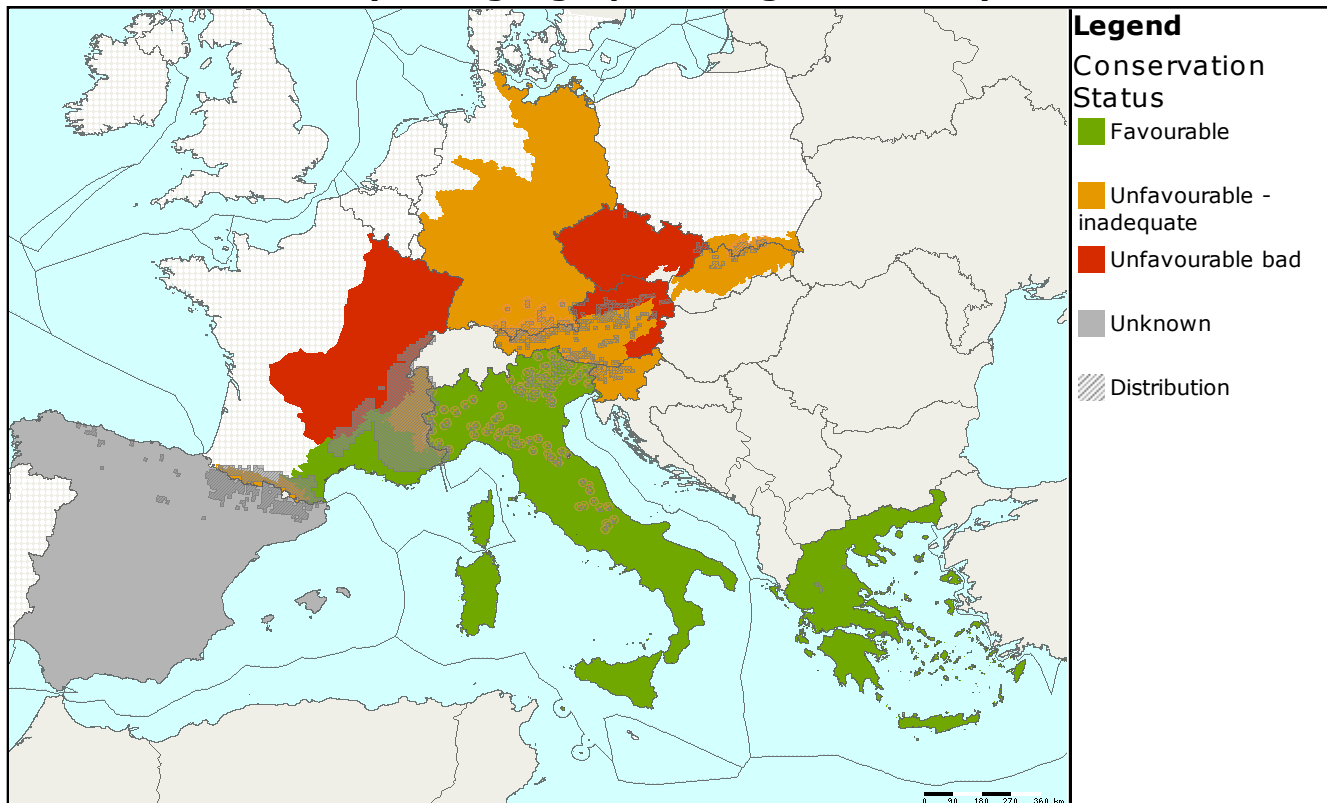
This habitat occurs along alpine rivers with banks dominated by woody vegetation including rosemary willow (*Salix elaeagnos*), other species of willow (*Salix spp*), birch (*Betula spp*), alder (*Alnus spp*) and sea buckthorn (*Hippophae rhamnoides*). The habitat occurs in the Alps together with other mountain ranges such as the Apennines, Cantabrians, Carpathians, and Pyrenees.

Spain has reported all parameters for this habitat as 'unknown' leading to regional assessments as 'unknown' for both the Atlantic and Mediterranean regions although reported as 'favourable' in the other Mediterranean countries where the habitat is present.

Assessed as 'unfavourable-inadequate' in the Alpine region for all parameters, with only Italy assessing the habitat as 'favourable'. In many cases 'range' is assessed as 'favourable' but the other parameters are mostly unfavourable, usually as a result of

human impact including modification of the river bed, including canalisation, and gravel extraction. Assessed as 'unfavourable-bad' in the Continental region and also for Austria, Czech Republic and France within the region with similar pressures as found in the Alpine region. Again only Italy has reported this habitat as 'favourable' although similar pressures and threats are noted. Better information is needed, particularly from Spain.

Assessments of conservation status as reported by Member states (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



MS	Biogeographic Region	Conservation status assessment					Km ²	Trend in area	Data quality
		Range	Area	Structure & function	Future prospects	Overall			
AT	ALP	Green	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	54	-	3
DE	ALP	Green	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	9	-	3
ES	ALP	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	8.87	-	1
FR	ALP	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	54	-	2
IT	ALP	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	60	=	2
PL	ALP	Orange	Orange	Green	Grey	Orange	5	X	2
SI	ALP	Green	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	20	-	3
SK	ALP	Green	Green	Orange	Green	Orange	0.95	=	2
ES	ATL	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	3.65	=	2
AT	CON	Orange	Red	Red	Red	Red	26	-	3
CZ	CON	Red	Red	Red	Orange	Red	0.34	-	1
DE	CON	Orange	Grey	Orange	Orange	Orange	9.93	X	3
FR	CON	Orange	Red	Red	Red	Red	5	-	2
IT	CON	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	32	=	2
SI	CON	Green	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	6	-	3
EL	MED	Green	Green	Green	Grey	Green	0.47	=	1
ES	MED	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	30	X	3
FR	MED	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	28	=	2
IT	MED	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	2	=	2

Data quality is based on an assessment by each Member State, 1 = good, 2 = medium, 3 = poor

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 17 of the Habitats Directive in 2007 and covering the period 2001-2006. More detailed information is available at <http://biodiversity.eionet.europa.eu/article17>