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The Snares Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

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No abre el plazo - Nezahajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késéseket - Ma' jiftaħx il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Мääräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

UK

3. Department Responsible

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

The Snares Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

6. Products Concerned

The Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 provides statutory protection for a wide range of animals and plants of conservation concern. The 1985 Order regulates the methods of killing and taking wild animals through a range of measures including the use of snares. The 1985 Order makes it an offence to set certain types of snare, such as a self locking snare, which could cause bodily harm to an animal. It also sets in place resrictions on the use of snares to reduce the impact which snares would have on non targetted species.

When amendments were made to the Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985, through the Wildlife and Natural Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011, to update levels of protection for a greater range of species, a power was given to set legal requirements that promote higher technical standards in relation to the specification of the of the snare itself and operator practise. this is to ensure greater humane treatment of wild animals, practical needs of good land management and nature conservation objectives.

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

The Snares Order (Northern Ireland) 2015 will require technical changes to the use of snares within Northern Ireland. In practical terms this will require snares to be:

- (i) fitted with permanent stops to ensure that the noose does not close too far thus inflicting damage to an animal.
- (ii) fitted with a swivel to assist twisting action by the animal caught in the snare to reduce stress and damage.
- (iii) free running in that it relaxes once the animal stops struggling, therefore allieviating stress and damage to an animal.
- (iv) firmly staked to the ground so that the snare cannot be dragged away by the animal and become entangled

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The regulations will require some technical adjustments for snare but not widespraed changes which would affect the snare making industry.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

No Basic Text exists

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No
12. Grounds for the Emergency
13. Confidentiality No
14. Fiscal measures No
15. Impact assessment Yes
16. TBT and SPS aspects TBT aspect
No - The draft has no significant impact on international trade
SPS aspect
No - The draft has no significant impact on international trade
No - The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure

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