

*These notes refer to the Wildlife and Natural Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 (c.15) which received Royal Assent on 29 March 2011*

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### ***Section 11 - Spring Traps***

This Section regulates the use of spring traps to capture wild animals, other than wild animals included in Schedule 6 to the Wildlife Order, by making it an offence for anyone to use, sell or have in their possession any trap other than a trap of a type authorised by the Department. Authorised traps will be established by way of an Order made by the Department.

The use of 'unauthorised' spring traps may be permitted for research purposes but only under the authority of a licence issued by the Department.