

## 2011 CHAPTER 15

### Amendments to the Wildlife Order

### Prohibition on sale, etc. of invasive, non-native species

14 After Article 15 of the Wildlife Order insert—

### "Prohibition on sale, etc. of invasive, non-native species

15A.—(1) This Article applies to—

- (a) any animal mentioned in Article 15(1)(a) or (b) which is specified in an order made by the Department for the purposes of this Article;
- (b) any plant included in Part 2 of Schedule 9 which is specified in such an order;
- (c) any hybrid of an animal or plant specified as mentioned in subparagraph (a) or (b).
- (2) Subject to the provisions of this Part, any person who—
  - (a) sells, offers or exposes for sale or has in his possession or transports for the purpose of sale any animal or plant to which this Article applies, or
  - (b) publishes, or causes to be published, any advertisement likely to be understood as conveying that the person buys or sells, or intends to buy or sell, any such animal or plant,

is guilty of an offence.

(3) Paragraphs (3) and (4) of Article 15 (defence of due diligence, etc.) apply to an offence under paragraph (2) as they apply to an offence under paragraph (1) or (2) of that Article.

(4) Subject to the provisions of this Part, any person who knowingly causes or permits to be done an act which is made unlawful by paragraph (2)(a) shall be guilty of an offence.

(5) An order under paragraph (1) may be made in relation to a particular area or a particular time of year.".

# Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Wildlife and Natural Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011, Section 14.