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PART 5

DOGS

*Dog control orders*

**Power to make dog control orders**

**40.—**(1) A district council may in accordance with this Part make an order providing for an offence or offences relating to the control of dogs in respect of any land in its district to which this Part applies.

(2) An order under subsection (1) shall be known as a “dog control order”.

(3) For the purposes of this Part an offence relates to the control of dogs if it relates to one of the following matters—

- (a) fouling of land by dogs and the removal of dog faeces;
- (b) the keeping of dogs on leads;
- (c) the exclusion of dogs from land;
- (d) the number of dogs which a person may take on to any land.

(4) An offence provided for in a dog control order must be an offence which is prescribed for the purposes of this section by regulations made by the Department.

(5) Regulations under subsection (4) may in particular—

- (a) specify all or part of the wording to be used in a dog control order for the purpose of providing for any offence;

- (b) permit a dog control order to specify the times at which, or periods during which, an offence is to apply;
  - (c) provide for an offence to be defined by reference to failure to comply with the directions of a person of a description specified in the regulations.
- (6) A dog control order may specify the land in respect of which it applies specifically or by description.
- (7) A dog control order may be revoked or amended by the council which made it; but this Part applies in relation to any amendment of a dog control order as if it were the making of a new order.