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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2005 No. 1961**

**The Unauthorised Encampments (Northern Ireland) Order 2005**

*Introductory*

**Title and commencement**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Unauthorised Encampments (Northern Ireland) Order 2005.

(2) This Article and Article 2 shall come into operation on the expiration of 7 days from the day on which this Order is made.

(3) The other provisions of this Order shall come into operation on such day or days as the Department may by order appoint.

**Subordinate Legislation Made**

P1 [Art. 1\(3\)](#) power fully exercised: 19.7.2006 appointed by [{S.R. 2006/244}](#), art. 2

**Interpretation**

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (c. 33) shall apply to Article 1 and the following provisions of this Order as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

(2) In this Order—

“the Department” means the Department for Social Development;

“occupier” means the person entitled to possession of the land by virtue of an estate or interest held by him;

“trespass” means trespass as against the occupier of the land; and

“vehicle” includes—

(a) any vehicle, whether or not it is in a fit state for use on roads, and includes any chassis or body, with or without wheels, appearing to have formed part of such a vehicle and any load carried by, and anything attached to such a vehicle; and

(b) a caravan within the meaning of the Caravans Act (Northern Ireland) 1963 (c. 17).

(3) A person may be regarded for the purposes of this Order as having a purpose of residing in a place notwithstanding that he has a home elsewhere.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Unauthorised Encampments (Northern Ireland) Order 2005, Introductory.