



Animals Act 1971

1971 CHAPTER 22

Supplemental

10 Application of certain enactments to liability under sections 2 to 4

For the purposes of the Fatal Accidents Acts 1846 to 1959, the Law Reform (Contributory Negligence) Act 1945 and the Limitation Acts 1939 to 1963 any damage for which a person is liable under sections 2 to 4 of this Act shall be treated as due to his fault.

11 General interpretation

In this Act—

" common land ", and " town or village green " have the same meanings as in the Commons Registration Act 1965;

" damage " includes the death of, or injury to, any person (including any disease and any impairment of physical or mental condition);

" fault " has the same meaning as in the Law Reform (Contributory Negligence) Act 1945;

" fencing " includes the construction of any obstacle designed to prevent animals from straying;

" livestock " means cattle, horses, asses, mules, hinnies, sheep, pigs, goats and poultry, and also deer not in the wild state and, in sections 3 and 9, also, while in captivity, pheasants, partridges and grouse;

" poultry " means the domestic varieties of the following, that is to say, fowls, turkeys, geese, ducks, guinea-fowls, pigeons, peacocks and quails ; and

" species " includes sub-species and variety.

12 Application to Crown

- (1) This Act binds the Crown, but nothing in this section shall authorise proceedings to be brought against Her Majesty in her private capacity.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (2) Section 38(3) of the Crown Proceedings Act 1947 (interpretation of references to Her Majesty in her private capacity) shall apply as if this section were contained in that Act.

13 Short title, repeal, commencement and extent

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Animals Act 1971.
- (2) The following are hereby repealed, that is to say—
- (a) in the Dogs Act 1906, subsections (1) to (3) of section 1; and
 - (b) in section 1(1) of the Dogs (Amendment) Act 1928 the words " in both places where that word occurs ".
- (3) This Act shall come into operation on 1st October 1971.
- (4) This Act does not extend to Scotland or to Northern Ireland.