



Deer Act 1991

1991 CHAPTER 54

Offences relating to deer

2 Taking or killing of certain deer in close season.

- (1) Subject to sections 6 to 8 below and to subsection (3) below, if any person takes or intentionally kills any deer of a species and description mentioned in Schedule 1 to this Act during the prescribed close season, he shall be guilty of an offence.
- (2) The prescribed close season, in relation to a particular deer, is the close season prescribed by Schedule 1 to this Act in relation to deer of that species and description.
- (3) Where—
 - (a) any person, by way of business, keeps deer on land enclosed by a deer-proof barrier for the production of meat or other foodstuffs or skins or other by-products, or as breeding stock, and
 - (b) those deer are conspicuously marked in such a way as to identify them as deer kept by that person as mentioned in the preceding paragraph,the killing of any of those deer by that person, or by any servant or agent of that person authorised by him for the purpose, shall not constitute an offence under this section.

^{F1}(4)

^{F2}(5)

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 2(4) omitted (1.10.2007) by virtue of [The Regulatory Reform \(Deer\) \(England and Wales\) Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/2183\)](#), arts. 1(1), **5(2)**
- F2** S. 2(5) omitted (1.10.2007) by virtue of [The Regulatory Reform \(Deer\) \(England and Wales\) Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/2183\)](#), arts. 1(1), **5(2)**

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 2: Functions transferred (W.) (1.7.1999) by [S.I. 1999/672](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1**

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Deer Act 1991, Section 2.