



# Protection of Animals Act 1911

## 1911 CHAPTER 27 1 and 2 Geo 5

### <sup>F1</sup>12 Powers of constables.

[<sup>F1</sup>(1) [<sup>F2</sup>A police constable may apprehend without warrant any person who he has reason to believe is guilty of an offence under this Act which is punishable by imprisonment without the option of a fine, whether upon his own view thereof or upon the complaint and information of any other person who shall declare his name and place of abode to such constable.]

(2) Where a person having charge of a vehicle or animal is apprehended by a police constable for an offence under this Act, it shall be lawful for that or any other constable to take charge of such vehicle or animal, and to deposit the same in some place of safe custody until the termination of the proceedings or until the court shall direct such vehicle or animal to be delivered to the person charged or the owner, and the reasonable costs of such detention, including the reasonable costs of veterinary treatment where such treatment is required, shall, in the event of a conviction in respect of the said animal, be recoverable from the owner summarily as a civil debt, or, where the owner himself is convicted, shall be part of the costs of the case.]

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 11-14 repealed (E.W.) (27.3.2007 for W., 6.4.2007 for E.) by [Animal Welfare Act 2006 \(c. 45\)](#), s. 68(3), [Sch. 4](#) (with ss. 1(2), 58(1), 59, 60); S.I. 2007/499, art. 2(2)(m); S.I. 2007/1030, art. 2(1)(m)
- F2** S. 12(1) repealed (E.W.) (1.1.2006) by [Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 \(c. 15\)](#), s. 178(8)(8), [Sch. 7 para. 11](#), [Sch. 17](#); S.I. 2005/3495, art. 2(1)(m)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Protection of Animals Act 1911, Section 12.