Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Act 1939

1939 CHAPTER 43 2 and 3 Geo 6

An Act to make provision for the prevention of damage by rabbits; and to amend the law relating to the use of poison and the use of spring traps above ground for the purpose of killing hares or rabbits.

[28th July 1939]

Annotations:

Extent Information
E1 For the extent of this Act see S. 6(3)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)
C1 Words of enactment omitted under authority of Statute Law Revision Act 1948 (c. 62), s. 3

PART I

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)
F1 Ss. 1–3 repealed by Agriculture Act 1947 (c. 48), Sch. 13
PART II

AMENDMENTS OF LAW RELATING TO KILLING OF HARES AND RABBITS

4  Provisions as to use of poison in rabbit holes.

A person shall not be guilty of an offence under section eight of the Protection of Animals Act, 1911, by reason only that he uses poisonous gas in a rabbit hole, or places in a rabbit hole a substance which, by evaporation or in contact with moisture generates poisonous gas.

Annotations:

Modifications etc. (not altering text)
C2  S. 4 applied by Agriculture Act 1947 (c. 48), s. 98

Marginal Citations
M1  1911 c. 27.

5  Prohibition of use of spring traps above ground.

(1) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

(2) So much of section six of the Ground Game Act, 1880, as provides that no person having a right to kill ground game shall, for the purpose of killing ground game . . . employ poison shall cease to have effect.

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)
F2  S. 5(1) repealed by Pests Act 1954 (c. 68), Sch.
F3  Words repealed by Pests Act 1954 (c. 68), Sch.

Marginal Citations
M2  1880 c. 47.

PART III

SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

6  Short title, interpretation and extent.

(1) This Act may be cited as the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Act, 1939.

(2) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

(3) This Act shall not extend to Scotland, to Northern Ireland or to the administrative county of London.
Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F4 S. 6(2) repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), Sch. 1, Pt.II
Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Act 1939.