

## 1970 No. 50

## ANIMALS

## PREVENTION OF CRUELTY

**The Spring Traps Approval (Amendment) Order 1970**

*Made* - - - 19th January 1970

*Coming into Operation* 1st February 1970

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in exercise of the powers vested in him by section 8 of the Pests Act 1954(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order :—

*Citation, commencement and interpretation*

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Spring Traps Approval (Amendment) Order 1970 and shall come into operation on 1st February 1970.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Amendment of principal order*

2. The Spring Traps Approval Order 1957(c), as amended by the Spring Traps Approval (Amendment) Order 1966(d) and the Spring Traps Approval (Amendment) Order 1968(e), is hereby further amended by adding at the end of the first column of the Schedule thereto (in which are set out the types and makes of trap approved for the purposes of section 8 of the Pests Act 1954) the following description—

“Fenn Vermin Trap Mark IV (Heavy Duty) manufactured by or under the authority of Mr. A. A. Fenn, of F.H.T. Works, High Street, Astwood Bank, Redditch, Worcestershire.”

and by adding at the end of the second column of the said Schedule (in which are set out the conditions as to the animals for which or the circumstances in which approved traps may be used), opposite the aforesaid description, the following conditions—

“The trap shall be used only—

(a) for the purpose of killing or taking grey squirrels and stoats, weasels, rats, mice or other small ground vermin, and set in natural tunnels or in artificial tunnels constructed for the purpose, or

(b) for the purpose of killing or taking rats or mice and set in the open on their runs.”

---

(a) 1954 c. 68.

(c) S.I. 1957/2216 (1957 I, p. 146).

(e) S.I. 1968/645 (1968 I, p. 1482).

(b) 1889 c. 63.

(d) S.I. 1966/849 (1966 II, p. 1988).

---

In Witness whereof the official seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 19th January 1970.

(L.S.)

*Cledwyn Hughes,*  
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

---

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

By virtue of section 8 of the Pests Act 1954 it is an offence to use for the killing or taking of animals a spring trap other than one approved by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. This order adds the Fenn Vermin Trap Mark IV (Heavy Duty) to those already approved by the Minister in the Spring Traps Approval Order 1957, in the Spring Traps Approval (Amendment) Order 1966 and in the Spring Traps Approval (Amendment) Order 1968, and specifies the animals for which and the circumstances in which it may be used.

SI 1970/ 50  
ISBN 0-11-000050-1

