STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1982 No. 1883

ANIMALS

DESTRUCTIVE ANIMALS

The Mink (Keeping) (Amendment) Regulations 1982

Made---23rd December 1982Coming into Operation1st January 1983

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2 of the Destructive Imported Animals Act 1932(1) and now vested in them(2), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby make the following regulations:—

Title and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Mink (Keeping) (Amendment) Regulations 1982 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1983.

Amendment of the principal regulations

- 2. The Mink (Keeping) Regulations 1975(3) shall be amended as follows:—
 - (a) in regulation 5(3) (fees payable in respect of the granting of licences) for "£35" there shall be substituted "£58";
 - (b) in paragraphs (2) and (3) of Schedule 2 (manner in which mink are to be confined and precautions to be observed) after the words "not greater than 26mm" where they occur in each of these paragraphs there shall be inserted the words "or, alternatively, welded mesh of not less than 15 gauge with a mesh size not greater than 26mm × 40mm".

(1) the Act was applied in relation to mink by the Mink (Keeping) Order 1982 (S.I. 1982/1745).

⁽²⁾ In the case of the Secretary of State for Wales by virtue of Article 3(1) of, and paragraph 5(a) of Schedule 2 to, the Transfer of Functions (Wales) Order 1969 (S.I. 1969/388).

⁽³⁾ relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1979/1669.

In Witness whereof the official seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 15th December 1982.

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Peter Walker Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

16th December 1982

George Younger Secretary of State for Scotland

22nd December 1982

Nicholas Edwards Secretary of State for Wales

Alastair Goodlad P. L. Brooke Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

Approved on 23rd December 1982

EXPLANATORY NOTE

These regulations further amend the Mink (Keeping) Regulations 1975 by:-

(1) increasing the fee for a licence to keep mink from £35 to £58 with effect from 1st January 1983; and

(2) permitting enclosures and buildings in which mink are kept to be bounded by a guard fence consisting of welded mesh of a stipulated size as an alternative to a guard fence consisting of wire netting as originally required by the 1975 Regulations.