

## 2011 CHAPTER 9

## Control of dogs

## Contingent destruction orders where no prosecution

5.—(1) Article 25C of the Dogs Order (seizure of dangerous dogs) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (3) for sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) substitute "the district judge (magistrates' court) may order the destruction of the dog and shall do so unless satisfied that the dog will not be a danger to the public.".

(3) After paragraph (3) insert—

"(4) If—

- (a) the dog is one to which Article 25A applies,
- (b) the district judge (magistrates' court) does not order the destruction of the dog under paragraph (3), and
- (c) the dog is subject to the prohibition in Article 25A(3),

the district judge (magistrates' court) shall order that, unless the dog is exempted from the prohibition in Article 25A(3) within the period of two months beginning with the date of the order, the dog shall be destroyed.".

## Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Dogs (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 2011, Section 5.