

These notes refer to the Wildlife and Natural Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 (c.15) which received Royal Assent on 29 March 2011

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 36 - Sale of game

The intention of this Section is also deregulatory in nature and removes provisions contained in the Game Act 1831, the Game Preservation Act (Northern Ireland) 1928 and the Wildlife Order that restricted the trade of game including deer to certain times of the year. Such restrictions are no longer considered necessary given modern refrigeration facilities and food safety standards. As a consequence, provision that requires the conspicuous marking of packages which contain game when in transit is also removed.

There is provision to make it an offence to sell any game which that person knows or believes has been taken or killed unlawfully.