

2011 CHAPTER 15

Game

Hare coursing

38.—(1) A person commits an offence if he—

- (a) participates in a hare coursing event,
- (b) attends a hare coursing event,
- (c) knowingly facilitates a hare coursing event,
- (d) permits land which belongs to him to be used for the purposes of a hare coursing event,
- (e) nets hares for the purpose of a hare coursing event,
- (f) transports hares for the purpose of a hare coursing event, or
- (g) holds hares for the purpose of a hare coursing event.

(2) Each of the following persons commits an offence if a dog participates in a hare coursing event—

- (a) any person who enters the dog for the event,
- (b) any person who permits the dog to be entered, and
- (c) any person who controls or handles the dog in the course of or for the purposes of the event.

(3) A "hare coursing event" is a competition in which dogs are, by the use of live hares, assessed as to skill in hunting hares.

(4) A person guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.