

*These notes refer to the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland)
2011 (c.16) which received Royal Assent on 29 March 2011*

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 4 - Enforcement

Post-Conviction Powers

Section 36: Destruction in the interests of the animal

This section gives the court power, where it is persuaded by a veterinary surgeon that it is appropriate in the interests of the animal, to order the destruction of an animal in respect of an offence under the Act involving unnecessary suffering, prohibited procedures, tail docking, administration of poisons, fighting, ensuring animal welfare or abandonment.