

*These notes refer to the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act
(Northern Ireland) 2011 (c.23) which received Royal Assent on 4 May 2011*

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 5 - Dogs

Section 44 – Amount of fixed penalties

This section enables a district council to specify the amount of a fixed penalty in relation to their own dog control orders. Councils will also be able to allow for the payment of a lesser amount if the fine is paid within a specified time period. Where no amount is specified at the local level, the fixed penalty is set at £75. Subsections (4) to (6) also provide the Department with the power to make regulations relating to the fixed penalty – in particular, to prescribe a range within which penalties fixed at the local level must fall; the Department may also (by order) substitute the figure of £75 referred to above with a new amount.