STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1983 No. 764

## The Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1983

## PART III

### CONTROL OF DOGS

Stray dogs

#### Finding of unaccompanied dog

**24.**—(1) Any person who finds a dog—

- (a) which is—
  - (i) off land owned or occupied by the keeper of the dog and, if the keeper of the dog is a person other than its owner, off land owned or occupied by its owner also; or
  - (ii) off other land on which it may be by permission of the owner or occupier of that land; and
- (b) which appears to him to be unaccompanied by any other person;

may detain the dog.

(2) Where a person detains a dog under paragraph (1), he shall, within 24 hours of the finding, give notice to a member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary at the nearest police station or to the district council for the district in which he resides.

(3) Where notice of a finding is given to a district council whether under paragraph (2) or by a member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, an officer shall make arrangements for the collection of the dog from the person detaining it under paragraph (1) and paragraphs (2) to (8) of Article 23 shall apply to any dog collected under this paragraph as they apply to a dog seized under paragraph (1) of that Article.

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1983, Section 24.