STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1985 No. 171

The Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985

PART II

Wildlife

Other protection

[F1Prohibition on sale, etc. of invasive, non-native species

- **15A.**—(1) This Article applies to—
 - (a) any animal mentioned in Article 15(1)(a) or (b) which is specified in an order made by the Department for the purposes of this Article;
 - (b) any plant included in Part 2 of Schedule 9 which is specified in such an order;
 - (c) any hybrid of an animal or plant specified as mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) or (b).
- (2) Subject to the provisions of this Part, any person who—
 - (a) sells, offers or exposes for sale or has in his possession or transports for the purpose of sale any animal or plant to which this Article applies, or
- (b) publishes, or causes to be published, any advertisement likely to be understood as conveying that the person buys or sells, or intends to buy or sell, any such animal or plant, is guilty of an offence.
- (3) Paragraphs (3) and (4) of Article 15 (defence of due diligence, etc.) apply to an offence under paragraph (2) as they apply to an offence under paragraph (1) or (2) of that Article.
- (4) Subject to the provisions of this Part, any person who knowingly causes or permits to be done an act which is made unlawful by paragraph (2)(a) shall be guilty of an offence.
- (5) An order under paragraph (1) may be made in relation to a particular area or a particular time of year.]
 - F1 Art. 15A inserted (17.8.2011) by Wildlife and Natural Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 (c. 15), ss. 14, 40(1); S.R. 2011/285, art. 2, Sch.

Changes to legislation:There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985, Section 15Å.