
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1985 No. 171

The Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985

PART IV

Supplemental

Summary prosecutions

26.—(1) ^{F1}

(2) [^{F2}Proceedings for a summary offence under this Order] may be brought within a period of six months from the date on which evidence sufficient in the opinion of the prosecutor to warrant the proceedings came to his knowledge; but no such proceedings shall be brought by virtue of this Article more than two years after the commission of the offence.

(3) For the purposes of this Article a certificate signed by or on behalf of the prosecutor and stating the date on which such evidence as aforesaid came to his knowledge shall be conclusive evidence of that fact; and a certificate stating that matter and purporting to be so signed shall be deemed to be so signed unless the contrary is proved.

F1 Art. 26(1) repealed (17.8.2011) by [Wildlife and Natural Environment Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2011](#) (c. 15), ss. 23(2), 39(2), 40(1), [Sch. 3 Pt. 1](#) (with s. 23(4)); S.R. 2011/285, [art. 2](#), Sch.

F2 Words in art. 26(2) substituted (17.8.2011) by [Wildlife and Natural Environment Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2011](#) (c. 15), [ss. 23\(3\)](#), 40(1) (with s. 23(4)); 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 26.