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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**EUROPEAN UNION**

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**The Invasive Alien Species (Enforcement and Permitting) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

*Made - - - - 15th August 2019*

*Coming into operation 1st December 2019*

**THE INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES (ENFORCEMENT AND PERMITTING) ORDER (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2019**

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**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Invasive Alien Species (Enforcement and Permitting) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. (See end of Document for details)

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- 30. The Destructive Imported Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1933
  - 31. Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966
  - 32. Amendments to the Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985
- Signature

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SCHEDULE     Animals and plants to which Article 3(2) and (3) applies  
PART 1 — Animals to which the offence in Article 3(2) applies  
PART 2 — Plants to which the offence in Article 3(3) applies  
Explanatory Note

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