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SCHEDULES

[^{F1}SCHEDULE 9A

SPECIES CONTROL AGREEMENTS AND ORDERS (ENGLAND AND WALES)

Textual Amendments

- F1** Sch. 9A inserted (E.W.) (12.4.2015) by [Infrastructure Act 2015 \(c. 7\)](#), ss. **23(3)**, 57(4); S.I. 2015/481, reg. 3(a); S.I. 2015/990, reg. 2

PART 1

OVERVIEW AND INTERPRETATION

Definitions relating to species

- 2 (1) “Species” means any kind of animal or plant.
- (2) A species is “invasive” if, uncontrolled, it would be likely to have a significant adverse impact on—
- (a) biodiversity,
 - (b) other environmental interests, or
 - (c) social or economic interests.
- (3) A species is “non-native” if—
- (a) it is listed in Part 1 or 2 of Schedule 9, or
 - (b) in the case of a species of animal, it is a species—
 - (i) whose natural range does not include any part of Great Britain, and
 - (ii) which has been introduced into Great Britain or is present in Great Britain because of other human activity.
- (4) References to a species being “present” on premises include its being present at any stage in its life-cycle (for example, as eggs or seeds).
- (5) A species of animal is “no longer normally present in Great Britain” if—
- (a) it is a species listed in Part 1B of Schedule 9, or
 - (b) it is a species—
 - (i) whose natural range includes all or any part of Great Britain, and
 - (ii) which has ceased to be ordinarily resident in, or a regular visitor to, Great Britain in a wild state.

[The “Union list” means the list of invasive alien species of Union concern adopted by ^{F2}(6) the European Commission in accordance with Articles 4(1) and 10(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1143/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October

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2014 on the prevention and management of the introduction and spread of invasive alien species, as amended from time to time.]]

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- F2** Sch. 9A para. 2(6) inserted (1.12.2019) by [The Invasive Alien Species \(Enforcement and Permitting\) Order 2019 \(S.I. 2019/527\)](#), art. 1(1), **Sch. 4 para. 1(4)(b)** (with art. 1(2)(4)) (as amended by [S.I. 2019/1213](#), regs. 1, 2(2))

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