



# Deer (Scotland) Act 1996

## 1996 CHAPTER 58

### PART III

#### OFFENCES IN RELATION TO DEER

##### *Exemption for certain acts*

#### 25 Action intended to prevent suffering.

A person shall not be guilty of an offence against this Act or any order made under this Act in respect of any act done for the purpose of preventing suffering by—

- [<sup>F1</sup>(za) a deer which is starving and which has no reasonable chance of recovering;  
(a) an injured or diseased deer; or  
(b) <sup>F2</sup>... any deer calf, fawn or kid deprived, or about to be deprived, of its mother.

#### Textual Amendments

**F1** S. 25(za) inserted (1.1.2012) by [Wildlife and Natural Environment \(Scotland\) Act 2011 \(asp 6\)](#), **ss. 31(2)(a)**, 43(1) (with s. 41(1)); S.S.I. 2011/433, art. 2(1)(f)

**F2** Word in s. 25(b) repealed (1.1.2012) by [Wildlife and Natural Environment \(Scotland\) Act 2011 \(asp 6\)](#), **ss. 31(2)(b)**, 43(1) (with s. 41(1)); S.S.I. 2011/433, art. 2(1)(f)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Deer (Scotland) Act 1996, Section 25.