

# Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006

**2006 CHAPTER 16** 

# PART 3

## WILDLIFE ETC.

#### Invasive non-native species

## 51 Codes of practice in connection with invasive non-native species

After section 14ZA of the 1981 Act insert-

#### "14ZB Codes of practice in connection with invasive non-native species

- (1) The Secretary of State may issue or approve a code of practice relating to-
  - (a) animals which are not ordinarily resident in and are not regular visitors to Great Britain in a wild state,
  - (b) animals or plants included in Schedule 9, or
  - (c) any description of animals or plants mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b).
- (2) The Secretary of State may revise or replace a code or approve its revision or replacement.
- (3) The Secretary of State must ensure that a code is published in a way that is appropriate for bringing it to the attention of persons likely to be affected by it.
- (4) A person's failure to comply with a provision of a code does not make him liable to criminal or civil proceedings.
- (5) A code—
  - (a) is admissible in evidence in any proceedings, and

(b) must be taken into account by a court in any case in which it appears to the court to be relevant."

## **Commencement Information**

II S. 51 in force at 1.10.2006 by S.I. 2006/2541, art. 2 (with Sch.)

## Status:

Point in time view as at 01/10/2006.

#### Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006, Section 51.