

*These notes refer to the Deregulation Act 2015 (c.20)  
which received Royal Assent on 26 March 2015*

# DEREGULATION ACT 2015

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### *Schedule 23: Legislation no longer of practical use*

#### **Part 6: Animals and food**

#### **Breeding and Sale of Dogs (Welfare) Act 1999**

976. *Paragraph 41* of this Schedule repeals the offences in the Breeding and Sale of Dogs (Welfare) Act 1999 of a licensed dog breeder selling to a licensed pet shop or Scottish rearing establishment a dog without an identifying tag or badge and of a keeper of a licensed pet shop selling on without an identifying tag or badge a dog delivered with such a tag or badge.
977. With the introduction of compulsory microchipping of all dogs from 6 April 2016 in England and proposed regulations about microchipping in Wales most of the information will be contained on the database relating to the microchip.
978. The 1999 Act extends to England and Wales and Scotland but the amendments to it will form part of the law of England and Wales only. They will come into force, in relation to England, on a day to be appointed by the Secretary of State in a commencement order and, in relation to Wales, on a day to be appointed by the Welsh Ministers in a commencement order.