

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order varies the Spring Traps Approval Order 1995 (“the 1995 Order”) in relation to England only.

Under section 8 of the Pests Act 1954, it is an offence to use or knowingly permit the use of any spring trap other than a trap that has been approved by Order. The Spring Traps Approval Order 1995 currently approves thirteen types of spring trap for use in England and Wales. This Order approves a further seven types of spring trap for use in England only.

Article 2 has the effect of dividing the Schedule to the 1995 Order into two Parts. Part 1 is entitled “England and Wales” and lists the thirteen traps currently approved. Part 2 is entitled “England” and lists the seven new traps which are approved for use in England only.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business.