



# Pests Act 1954

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## PART II

AMENDMENT OF LAW AS TO USE OF SPRING TRAPS AND AS TO SPREADING MYXOMATOSIS

### 12 Spreading of myxomatosis.

A person shall be guilty of an offence if he knowingly uses or permits the use of a rabbit infected with myxomatosis to spread the disease among uninfected rabbits and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds or, if he has been previously convicted of such an offence, a fine not exceeding fifty pounds:

Provided that this section shall not render unlawful [<sup>F1</sup>any procedure duly authorised under the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986].

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words substituted by [Animals \(Scientific Procedures\) Act 1986 \(c. 14, SIF 4:5\)](#), s. 27(2), [Sch. 3 para. 4](#)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 12 has effect as if the maximum fines there mentioned were fines not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale by virtue of (E.W.) [1977 c. 45, s. 31, Sch. 6](#), [1982 c. 48, s. 46](#) and (S.) [1975 c. 21, s. 289C, Sch. 7C](#) (which 1975 Act was repealed (1.4.1996) by [1995 c. 40, ss. 6, 7\(2\)](#), [Sch. 5](#)) and (1.4.1996) (S.) by virtue of [1995 c. 40, ss. 3, 7\(2\)](#), [Sch. 1 para. 3\(1\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. II](#).

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Pests Act 1954, Section 12.