EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order is made under section 1 of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 (c. 51). It modifies provisions of the Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976 (c. 38) which relate to the grant of licences to keep wild animals.

This Order makes two changes.

- (a) It extends the period of validity of a licence from a maximum of one year to two years (article 2).
- (b) It provides that licences will come into force immediately upon their being granted (rather than, as was the case previously, from either the date of grant or the beginning of the next following year), except for renewals of a licence applied for before the expiry of the licence they are to replace, in which case the subsequent licence will come into force from the date of expiry of the licence it replaces (article 2).

An impact assessment has been prepared in respect of this Order. A copy may be obtained from Defra (Wildlife Species Conservation Division), Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Legislative Reform (Dangerous Wild Animals) (Licensing) Order 2010.