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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 1427

ANIMALS, ENGLAND

PREVENTION OF CRUELTY

The Spring Traps Approval (Variation) (England) Order 2015

Made - - - -	*22nd June 2015*
Coming into force - -	*21st July 2015*

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 8(3) and (7) of the Pests Act 1954(**1**) and now vested in the Secretary of State(**2**).

Citation and commencement

1. This Order—

(a) may be cited as the Spring Traps Approval (Variation) (England) Order 2015; and

(b) comes into force on 21st July 2015.

Variation of the Spring Traps Approval (England) Order 2012

2. The Schedule to the Spring Traps Approval (England) Order 2012(**3**) is varied as follows—

(a) in the entry for the BMI Magnum 55, in Column 2 (conditions), after "killing" insert "grey squirrels,";

(b) after the entry for the DOC 250, insert the following entry—

"**Duke 116** manufactured by or under the authority of Duke Company, 508 E. Brame Avenue, West Point, MS 39773, USA.	The trap may be used only for the purpose of killing grey squirrels.
	The trap must be set in an artificial tunnel which is suitable for the purpose.";

(c) after the entry for the Fuller Trap, insert the following entry—

(**1**) 1954 c. 68.

(**2**) The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries was re-named "the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food" upon the transfer to that Minister of the functions of the Minister of Food by S.I. 1955/554. The functions of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food were transferred to the Secretary of State by S.I. 2002/794.

(**3**) S.I. 2012/13.

"**Goodnature A24 Rat and Stoat Trap** manufactured by or under the authority of Goodnature Limited, 4-12 Cruickshank Street, Kilbirnie 6022, Wellington, New Zealand.	The trap may be used only for the purpose of killing stoats and rats. The trap must be so placed that it can only be entered by way of an artificial tunnel which is suitable for the purpose.";

(d) for the entry for the Kania Trap 2000, substitute the following entry—

"**Kania Trap 2000** manufactured by or under the authority of Kania Industries Inc., 63 Centennial Road, British Columbia, V9R 6N6, Canada.	The trap may be used only for the purpose of killing grey squirrels, mink, stoats, weasels, edible dormice (*glis glis*)(**4**), rats, mice and (except for those species listed in Schedules 5 and 6 to the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981) other small ground vermin. The trap must be set within the housing provided by the manufacturer.";

Rory Stewart
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Environment, Food and Rural
Affairs

22nd June 2015

(**4**) See the footnote to the entry on the Kania Trap 2500 in the Schedule to S.I. 2012/13.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order varies the Spring Traps Approval (England) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/13).

Under section 8 of the Pests Act 1954 (c. 68), it is an offence to use or knowingly to permit the use of any spring trap, other than a trap that has been approved by order, for animals or in circumstances for which it is not approved.

This Order adds two types of spring trap to those approved for use in England: the Duke 116 and the Goodnature A24 Rat and Stoat Trap (*article 2(b) and (c)*). It also adds to the target species against which two of the traps previously approved may be used: the BMI Magnum 55 may now also be used for grey squirrels (*article 2(a)*), and the Kania Trap 2000 may now also be used for edible dormice (*article 2(d)*).

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.