

1985 No. 174

DOGS

Guard Dogs (Control) Order (Northern Ireland) 1985

Made 11th July 1985

Coming into operation 29th August 1985

The Department of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 27(a) and (b) of the Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1983(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Guard Dogs (Control) Order (Northern Ireland) 1985 and shall come into operation on 29th August 1985.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“place” means any place specified in Article 3 of the Guard Dogs (Specified Places) Order (Northern Ireland) 1983(b).

Prohibition on the use of a guard dog

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) a person shall not use or permit the use of a guard dog at any place unless a person who is capable of controlling the dog is present at that place and, for the purpose of exercising such control, accompanies the dog at all times.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply if—

- (a) the guard dog is secured so that it is not at liberty to go freely about the place at which it is used; or
- (b) the place at which the guard dog is used is enclosed to the extent necessary to prevent the escape of the guard dog.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on 11th July 1985.

(L.S.)

W. H. Parker

Assistant Secretary

(a) S.I. 1983/764 (N.I. 8)

(b) S.R. 1983 No. 381

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order prohibits the use of a guard dog at any place which is specified in Article 3 of the Guard Dogs (Specified Places) Order (Northern Ireland) 1983, S.R. 1983 No. 381, unless a person who is capable of controlling the dog is present at that place and accompanies the dog at all times.

The prohibition does not apply if the guard dog is secured so that it is not at liberty to go freely about the place or if the place at which the dog is used is enclosed to the extent necessary to prevent the escape of the dog.