
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**Welfare of Animals (Slaughter or Killing)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996**

Part V

Execution, Offences and Penalties

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27. A person who contravenes any provision in these Regulations shall not be guilty of an offence in respect of such contravention if he proves that by reason of accident or other emergency the contravention was necessary for preventing injury or suffering to any person or animal.