
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1998 No. 203

**Welfare of Animals and Poultry at
Markets Order (Northern Ireland) 1998**

Protection of animals from injury or unnecessary suffering

8.—(1) A person shall not cause or permit injury or unnecessary suffering to an animal or bird in a market.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), any person in charge of an animal or bird in a market shall ensure that the animal or bird is not, or is not likely to be, caused injury or unnecessary suffering by reason of—

- (a) the animal or bird being exposed to the weather;
- (b) inadequate ventilation being available for the animal or bird;
- (c) the animal or bird being hit or prodded by any instrument or other thing;
- (d) the animal being tethered in an unsuitable manner; or
- (e) any other cause.