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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order amends the Spring Traps Approval Order (Northern Ireland) 2019 ([S.R. 2019 No. 69](#)).

Under Article 12A(1) of the Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 it is an offence to use or permit the use of, for the purpose of killing or taking animals, any spring trap other than an approved trap or uses or permits the use of an approved trap for animals for which it is not approved or sells or exposes or offers for sale any spring trap other than an approved trap with a view to its being used for an unlawful purpose, or has in his possession any spring trap for an unlawful purpose.

This Order adds a type of spring trap to those approved for use in Northern Ireland, namely, the Perdix Spring Trap.

It also adds to the target species for which two of the traps previously approved may be used:

- The Doc 250 may now also be used for ferrets
- The Tully Trap may now also be used for grey squirrels where it is fitted with baffles for grey squirrels, in accordance with the conditions specified.

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.