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LIVESTOCK PROTECTION**Control of Dogs**

ORDER, DATED 11TH SEPTEMBER 1968, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE LIVESTOCK (PROTECTION FROM DOGS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1968(a).

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 5 of the Livestock (Protection from Dogs) Act (Northern Ireland) 1968 and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order, which may be cited as the Control of Dogs Order (Northern Ireland) 1968, shall come into operation on 1st November 1968.

Revocation

2. The Control of Dogs Order (Northern Ireland) 1961(b) is hereby revoked.

Measures for the Control of Dogs

3.—(1) A dog shall not be permitted to be in any place other than the lands and premises of the owner or person in charge of the dog unless it is wearing a collar with the name and address of the owner inscribed on the collar or on a plate or badge attached thereto; provided that this prohibition shall not refer to any pack of hounds, or to any dog while being used for sporting purposes, or for the capture or destruction of vermin, or for the driving or tending of cattle or sheep, or to any dog while being used for police purposes by any member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary or Special Constabulary.

(2) Every dog shall at all times during the period between sunset and sunrise be prevented from straying by being—

- (a) confined in a building, shed, yard or other enclosure from which it cannot escape; or
- (b) effectively secured by collar and chain; or
- (c) accompanied by and under the effectual control of the owner or other person in charge of the dog.

Power to Seize Dogs

4. Any dog in respect of which an offence against Article 3 is being committed may be seized and treated as a stray dog under the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Dogs Act 1906(c).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 11th day of September 1968 in the presence of

(L.S.)

A. E. W. Steen,
Assistant Secretary.

(a) 1968. c. 11 (N.I.).

(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1961, No. 166.

(c) 6 Edw. 7. c. 32.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

Subject to certain exceptions, this Order requires the wearing of a collar marked with the name and address of the owner, by dogs when outside the land or premises of the owner or person in charge. With a view to the prevention of worrying of animals, it is further required that dogs are kept under control between the hours of sunset and sunrise.

This Order revokes and replaces the Control of Dogs Order (Northern Ireland) 1961.