



Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

1981 CHAPTER 69

PART IV

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

71 General interpretation.

In this Act—

“the ^{M1}1949 Act” means the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949;

“the ^{M2}1968 Act” means the Countryside Act 1968;

[^{F1} “the Broads” has the same meaning as in the Norfolk and Suffolk Broads Act 1988.]

“the commencement date”, in relation to any provision of this Act and any area, means the date of the coming into force of that provision in that area;

“London borough council” includes the Common Council of the City of London;

“modifications” includes additions, alterations and omissions, and cognate expressions shall be construed accordingly;

“statutory maximum”, in relation to a fine on summary conviction, means—

- (a) in England and Wales, the prescribed sum within the meaning of section 32 of the ^{M3}Magistrates’ Courts Act 1980 (at the passing of this Act £1,000); and
- (b) in Scotland, the prescribed sum within the meaning of section 289B of the ^{M4}Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975 (at the passing of this Act £1,000).

Textual Amendments

- F1** Definition inserted (E.W.) by [Norfolk and Suffolk Broads Act 1988 \(c. 4, SIF 81:1\)](#), ss. 2(5), 23(2), 27(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. 1 para. 31\(5\)](#)

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M1 1949 c. 97.

M2 1968 c. 41.

M3 1980 c. 43.

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