



Ivory Act 2018

2018 CHAPTER 30

Prohibition

1 Prohibition on dealing in ivory

- (1) Dealing in ivory is prohibited.
- (2) “Dealing” in ivory means—
 - (a) buying, selling or hiring it;
 - (b) offering or arranging to buy, sell or hire it;
 - (c) keeping it for sale or hire;
 - (d) exporting it from the United Kingdom for sale or hire;
 - (e) importing it into the United Kingdom for sale or hire.
- (3) For the purposes of this section—
 - (a) buying includes acquiring for valuable consideration;
 - (b) selling includes disposing of for valuable consideration;
 - (c) offering includes advertising and inviting to treat.
- (4) In subsection (2)—
 - (a) a reference in paragraph (b) to buying or hiring ivory does not include buying ivory, or hiring it as the borrower, outside the United Kingdom;
 - (b) a reference in paragraph (b) or (c) to selling or hiring ivory includes selling ivory, or hiring it as the lender, outside the United Kingdom.
- (5) In this section “ivory” includes—
 - (a) an item made of ivory;
 - (b) an item that has ivory in it.

(See further section 37.)

- (6) Sections 2 and 6 to 9 set out exceptions to the prohibition.