



# Animals (Low-Welfare Activities Abroad) Act 2023

## 2023 CHAPTER 45

### *Low-welfare animal activities*

#### **1 Prohibition on sale of low-welfare animal activities**

- (1) A person commits an offence if, in a relevant part of the United Kingdom, the person sells, or offers or arranges to sell, any right to observe or participate in an activity which—
  - (a) involves an animal,
  - (b) takes place outside the United Kingdom, and
  - (c) is of a description specified for that part of the United Kingdom by regulations made by the appropriate national authority (“activity regulations”).
- (2) The appropriate national authority may specify a description of activity in activity regulations only if it considers that an activity of that description involves or is likely to involve—
  - (a) keeping the animal in conditions within [subsection \(3\)](#), or
  - (b) subjecting it to treatment (whether before, during or after the activity) within that subsection.
- (3) An animal is kept in conditions, or is subject to treatment, within this subsection if keeping the animal in the conditions, or subjecting it to the treatment, in the appropriate national authority’s part of the United Kingdom would constitute an offence under the appropriate national legislation.

#### **Commencement Information**

**II** [S. 1](#) in force at 18.11.2023, see [s. 7\(2\)](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Animals (Low-Welfare Activities Abroad) Act 2023, Section 1.