STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1979 No. 70

WILD BIRDS

The Wild Birds (Special Protection in Severe Weather) Order 1979

Made - - - 26th January 1979

Coming into Operation 26th January 1979

The Secretary of State in exercise of the powers conferred by section 13 of the Protection of Birds Act 1954(a) and section 7 of the Protection of Birds Act 1967(b) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, after consulting the persons and the Council referred to in section 7(4) of the Protection of Birds Act 1967, hereby makes the following order:—

- 1. This order may be cited as the Wild Birds (Special Protection in Severe Weather) Order 1979 and shall come into operation on 26th January 1979.
 - 2. In this order "the Principal Act" means the Protection of Birds Act 1954.
 - 3. This order shall apply to England and Wales.
- 4. The period from 26th January 1979 to the beginning of the close season as defined in section 2(6) of the Principal Act is declared to be a period of special protection for all wild birds included in Schedule 3 to the Principal Act, except that in the case of wild duck and wild geese of the species listed in Schedule 3 the period of special protection is declared to be the period from 26th January 1979 to 7th February 1979.

Peter Shore Secretary of State for the Environment.

26th January 1979.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order creates periods of special protection for all wild birds listed in Schedule 3 to the Protection of Birds Act 1954 during which they are protected in the same manner as they are during the close season. The period in the case of wild duck and wild geese, is from 26th January 1979 to 7th February 1979 and in the case of all other wild birds listed in Schedule 3, from 26th January 1979 until the beginning of the close season on February 1st 1979.

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