1969 No. 334 [NC]

DISEASES OF ANIMALS

Importation of Exotic Animals

ORDER, DATED THE 12TH DECEMBER 1969, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTIONS 1, 21 AND 53 OF THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1958.

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Sections 1, 21 and 53 of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1958(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order which may be cited as the Exotic Animals (Importation) Order (Northern Ireland) 1969 shall come into operation on 15th December 1969.

PART I

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order:—

"the Act" means the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1958;

"approved research establishment" means any establishment from time to time approved by the Ministry in writing for the purposes of this Order, being an establishment used for the carrying out in relation to imported exotic animals of medical or veterinary research, or for the manufacture or testing in connection with such animals of vaccine or serum or other pharmaceutical products;

"approved zoological establishment" means a zoological gardens or other establishment from time to time approved by the Ministry in writing for the purposes of this Order, being gardens or an establishment used for the exhibition of exotic animals;

"exotic animal" means in relation to the Orders of Mammals mentioned in Column 1 of the Schedule, animals of the families mentioned in Column 2 of the Schedule;

"landing place" means the port of Belfast or Belfast (Aldergrove) Airport;

"the Ministry" means the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

(2) An approved research establishment and an approved zoological establishment may be approved either unconditionally or subject to such conditions concerning the retention in isolation and the disposal of imported exotic animals as may be specified in the document of approval.

Amendment of First Schedule of the Act

3. For the purposes of the Act and of this Order Part I of the First Schedule to the Act shall be amended by adding at the end thereof:—

"10. Exotic animals (as defined by the Exotic Animals (Importation) Order (Northern Ireland) 1969)".

(a) 1958. c. 13.

PART II

4. This part shall apply to exotic animals which the Ministry is satisfied are being brought into Northern Ireland for the purposes of exhibition or research.

5. Subject to the provisions of this part an exotic animal which is landed in Northern Ireland in accordance with the provisions of this part shall not be subject to the provisions of Part I of the Third Schedule of the Act (which requires animals to be slaughtered on landing) and accordingly Part II of the Third Schedule (which requires animals to be kept in quarantine) and Part III of that Schedule (which contains ancillary provisions) shall apply to any animal so landed.

6. An exotic animal shall be landed in Northern Ireland from any place other than the Republic of Ireland only in accordance with the conditions of a licence issued by the Ministry.

Conditions Governing Issue of Licence

7.—(1) A licence shall be issued only to permit the landing at a landing place of exotic animals for direct movement to an approved research establishment or an approved zoological establishment and for their retention therein under the conditions specified in the approval.

(2) A licence shall contain such conditions as in the opinion of the Ministry are necessary or expedient for the purpose of preventing the introduction or spread of any disease to which the Act applies.

(3) Any breach of or failure to observe any condition of a licence shall be an offence against the Act.

Transhipment in Ports and Airports

8. Nothing in this Order shall operate to prevent the transhipment in a port or airport in Northern Ireland of an exotic animal brought from outside Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland where such transhipment takes place with the written authority of the Ministry or an Officer of Customs and Excise and subject to such conditions (if any) as may be specified in such authority.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 12th day of December 1969.

(L.S.)

W. G. Malcolm,
Assistant Secretary.

SCHEDULE

Exotic animals to which the Order applies:—

Order of Mammals Column 1	Family Column 2	Common Name (see note below)
PRIMATES	*Cebidae	Douroucoulis (owl monkeys or night apes) Titis Uakaris Sakis Howlers Capuchins Squirrel Monkeys Spider Monkeys Woolly Monkeys Goeldi's Monkeys
	Callithricidae	Marmosets Tamarins
	Cercopithecidae	Macaques Mangabeys Baboons Guenons Langurs Colobus Monkeys etc.
	Tupaiidae	Tree-shrews
	Lemuridae	Lemurs
	Indridae	Indris and Sifakas
	Daubentoniidae	Aye-Ayes
	Lorisidae	Lorises Bushbabies etc.
	Tarsiidae	Tarsiers
	Pongidae	Gibbons Orang-Utans Chimpanzees Gorillas
CARNIVORES	Procyonidae	Raccoons Coatis Kinkajous Olingos

Order of Mammals Column 1	Family Column 2	Common Name (see note below)
CARNIVORES	Mustelidae (except sub-family Lutrinae (otters) and Mustela Vison (American mink)	Stoats Weasels Ferrets Polecats Martens Wolverines Ratels (Honey Badgers) Badgers Skunks
	Viverridae	Genets Civets Linsangs Mongooses
MARSUPIALS	Didelphidae	Opossums
RODENTS	Sciuridae	Squirrels Chipmunks Marmots
	Geomyidae	Gophers
	Anomaluridae	Scaly-tailed Squirrels
CHIROPTERA	All Families	Bats

NOTE: Some of the common names of animals included in this Schedule are set out opposite the appropriate reference. The list is for guidance only and does not form part of the Order. Not all the common names are listed and some of the listed names can also be applied to animals which are not subject to the Order.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order which extends the statutory definition of "animals" in Part I of the First Schedule of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1958 so as to include the exotic animals specified in the Schedule to this Order provides for licensing restriction on the import of exotic animals from every country other than the Republic of Ireland.

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As this Order has been classified as local it is not printed at length in this volume. A summary is given in the List of Statutory Rules and Orders of a Local Character under the heading ROADS.

1969. No. 336 [NC]

HEALTH SERVICES (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1969

Appointed Day

ORDER, DATED 23RD DECEMBER 1969, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES UNDER SECTION 50 OF THE HEALTH SERVICES (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1969.

I, the Right Honourable William Kennedy Fitzsimmons, Minister of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 50 of the Health Services (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1969(a), do hereby order as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Health Services (Amendment) Act (Appointed Day) Order (Northern Ireland) 1969.

2. The Health Services (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1969 shall, except as in the Act or hereinafter otherwise provided, come into operation on the 1st January 1970.

3. Sections 8 and 9 and so much of the consequential amendments and repeals in Schedules 1 and 3 relating to the said sections 8 and 9 shall come into operation on the 31st March 1970.

Dated this 23rd day of December 1969.

W. K. Fitzsimmons,
Minister of Health and Social Services
for Northern Ireland.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

Section 50 of the Health Services (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1969 came into operation on the passing of this Act. This Order brings into operation from 1st January 1970 the remaining provisions of the Act other than those of sections 8 and 9 which come into operation on 31st March 1970.

(a) 1969. c. 36 (N.I.).