1968 No. 645

ANIMALS

PREVENTION OF CRUELTY

The Spring Traps Approval (Amendment) Order 1968

Made - - -	10*th April* 1968
Coming into Operation	1*st May* 1968

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in exercise of the powers vested in him by section 8 of the Pests Act 1954(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order :—

Citation, Commencement and Interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Spring Traps Approval (Amendment) Order 1968 and shall come into operation on 1st May 1968.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of Principal Order

2. The Spring Traps Approval Order 1957(c), as amended by the Spring Traps Approval (Amendment) Order 1966(d), is hereby further amended by adding at the end of the first column of the Schedule thereto (in which are set out the types and makes of trap approved for the purposes of section 8 of the Pests Act 1954) the following description—

> "Lloyd Trap, manufactured under the authority of the National Research Development Corporation, and specified in Patent Specification No. 987113"

and by adding at the end of the second column of the said Schedule (in which are set out the conditions as to the animals for which or the circumstances in which approved traps may be used), opposite the aforesaid description, the following conditions—

"The trap shall be used only

(*a*) for the purpose of killing or taking grey squirrels and stoats, weasels, rats, mice or other small ground vermin, and set in natural tunnels or in artificial tunnels constructed for the purpose, or

(*b*) for the purpose of killing or taking rats or mice and set in the open on their runs".

In Witness whereof the official seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 10th April 1968.

(L.S.) *Cledwyn Hughes,*
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

(a) 1954 c. 68.
(b) 1889 c. 63.
(c) S.I. 1957/2216 (1957 I, p. 146).
(d) S.I. 1966/849 (1966 II, p. 1988).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

By virtue of section 8 of the Pests Act 1954 it is an offence to use for the killing or taking of animals a spring trap other than one approved by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. This Order adds the Lloyd Trap to those already approved by the Minister in the Spring Traps Approval Order 1957 and in the Spring Traps Approval (Amendment) Order 1966 and specifies the animals for which and the circumstances in which it may be used.