



Hunting Act 2004

2004 CHAPTER 37

PART 3

GENERAL

11 Interpretation

- (1) In this Act “wild mammal” includes, in particular—
 - (a) a wild mammal which has been bred or tamed for any purpose,
 - (b) a wild mammal which is in captivity or confinement,
 - (c) a wild mammal which has escaped or been released from captivity or confinement, and
 - (d) any mammal which is living wild.
- (2) For the purposes of this Act a reference to a person hunting a wild mammal with a dog includes, in particular, any case where—
 - (a) a person engages or participates in the pursuit of a wild mammal, and
 - (b) one or more dogs are employed in that pursuit (whether or not by him and whether or not under his control or direction).
- (3) For the purposes of this Act land belongs to a person if he—
 - (a) owns an interest in it,
 - (b) manages or controls it, or
 - (c) occupies it.
- (4) For the purposes of this Act a dog belongs to a person if he—
 - (a) owns it,
 - (b) is in charge of it, or
 - (c) has control of it.

12 Crown application

This Act—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (a) binds the Crown, and
- (b) applies to anything done on or in respect of land irrespective of whether it belongs to or is used for the purposes of the Crown or a Duchy.

13 Amendments and repeals

- (1) Schedule 2 (consequential amendments) shall have effect.
- (2) The enactments listed in Schedule 3 are hereby repealed to the extent specified.

14 Subordinate legislation

An order of the Secretary of State under this Act—

- (a) shall be made by statutory instrument,
- (b) may not be made unless a draft has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament,
- (c) may make provision which applies generally or only in specified circumstances or for specified purposes,
- (d) may make different provision for different circumstances or purposes, and
- (e) may make transitional, consequential and incidental provision.

15 Commencement

This Act shall come into force at the end of the period of three months beginning with the date on which it is passed.

16 Short title

This Act may be cited as the Hunting Act 2004.

17 Extent

This Act shall extend only to England and Wales.