

*These notes refer to the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland)
2011 (c.16) which received Royal Assent on 29 March 2011*

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 4 - Enforcement

Post-Conviction Powers

Section 32: Deprivation

This section enables the courts to confiscate an animal from an owner who has been convicted of an offence in relation to that animal. A deprivation order is limited to cases where there is a clearly identifiable animal or animals in respect of which the offence was committed. The court is required to give reasons if it decides not to make a deprivation order against a convicted person.