
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2002 No. 3080

**The Zoo Licensing Act 1981 (Amendment)
(England and Wales) Regulations 2002**

Amendment of the Zoo Licensing Act 1981

18. In section 14 (dispensation for particular zoos)—

(a) in subsection (1)—

(i) at the beginning insert “Subject to subsection (1A),”, and

(ii) for “size of” substitute “number of animals kept in”;

(b) after subsection (1) insert the following subsection—

“(1A) The Secretary of State may only make a direction under subsection (1) where he is satisfied that it is not prejudicial to the protection of wild animals and the conservation of biodiversity to do so.”;

(c) in subsection (3) at the beginning insert “Subject to subsection (3A),”; and

(d) after subsection (3) insert the following subsection—

“(3A) The Secretary of State may only vary a direction made under subsection (1) where he is satisfied that it is not prejudicial to the protection of wild animals and the conservation of biodiversity to do so.”.