SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 528

ANIMALS

DESTRUCTIVE ANIMALS

The Mink Keeping (Scotland) Order 2003

Made - - - -	*5th November 2003*
Laid before the Scottish Parliament - - - -	*6th November 2003*
Coming into force - -	*1st January 2004*

The Scottish Ministers, being satisfied with respect to the non-indigenous mammalian species which are the subject of this Order that by reason of their destructive habits it is desirable to control the keeping of them and to destroy any which may be large, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 10(1) of the Destructive Imported Animals Act 1932(**1**) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Mink Keeping (Scotland) Order 2003 and shall come into force on 1st January 2004.

(2) This Order extends to Scotland only.

Duration

2. This Order shall cease to have effect on 1st January 2009.

Interpretation

3. In this Order–

(a) "the Act" means the Destructive Imported Animals Act 1932; and

(b) "mink" means the animal of the species *Mustela vison*.

(**1**) 1932 c. 12; section 11 (interpretation) was amended by S.I.1992/3302. The functions of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Scotland were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46).