STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2011 No. 278

DOGS

The Dogs (Fixed Penalty) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011

Made - - - -	*19th July 2011*
Coming into operation	*3rd October 2011*

The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development(**1**), makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 36(4) and 38(4) of the Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1983(**2**):

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Dogs (Fixed Penalty) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011 and shall come into operation on 3rd October 2011.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations "the Order" means the Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1983.

Form of a fixed penalty notice

3. A notice under Article 36 of the Order offering the opportunity, by payment of a fixed penalty, of the discharge of any liability to conviction of an offence to which Articles 36 to 39 of the Order apply shall be in the form set out in the Schedule.

Prescribed ranges of fixed penalties

4. The amount of a fixed penalty capable of being specified by a district council under Article 38(1)(a) of the Order is not less than £50 and not more than £80.

Lesser amounts of fixed penalties

5. Where a district council acting under Article 38(3) of the Order makes provisions for treating a fixed penalty as having been paid if a lesser amount is paid before the end of a period specified by that authority, such lesser amount shall be not less than £50.

(**1**) Formerly the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland; see S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1) Article 3(4)
(**2**) S.I. 1983/764 (N.I. 8) as amended by S.I. 1991/2292 (N.I. 21), 2001 c.1 (N.I.) and 2011 c.9 (N.I.)

Revocations

6. The Dogs (Fixed Penalty) (Procedure) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1983(**3**) are revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development on 19th July 2011.

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(**3**) S.R. 1983 No. 382