STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1999 No. 328

GAME

Game Birds Preservation Order (Northern Ireland) 1999

Made - - - -	*19th July 1999*
Coming into operation	*11th August 1999*

The Department of the Environment(**1**), being satisfied that it is necessary to provide special protection for grouse, partridge, red-legged partridges and hen pheasants:

(a) in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 7C(1) and 7F(1) to (3) of the Game Preservation Act (Northern Ireland) 1928(**2**) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974(**3**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf; and

(b) after publishing, pursuant to section 7F(5) of the Act, notice of proposal to make this Order and of the purport thereof, and not having received any objection to the said proposal,

hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Game Birds Preservation Order (Northern Ireland) 1999 and shall come into operation on 11th August 1999.

Prohibition of sale for consumption of grouse

2. It shall not be lawful for any person to sell or purchase grouse for consumption in Northern Ireland or elsewhere by human beings or animals at any time from 11th August 1999 to 11th August 2000.

Prohibition of killing or taking partridge, red-legged partridges and hen pheasants

3. It shall not be lawful for any person to kill or take partridge, red-legged partridges or hen pheasants at any time from 30th September 1999 to 30th September 2000 provided that the Department of the Environment may, where it is considered expedient so to do, grant exemption from the terms of this Article.

(**1**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) No. 252; S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504 Art. 7; S.I. 1976/424 (N.I. 6) Art. 3
(**2**) 1928 c. 25 (N.I.); see s. 3 of 1951 c. 4 (N.I.)
(**3**) 1974 c. 28