1976 No. 10

GAME

Game Preservation (Hares) Order (Northern Ireland) 1976

Made . . . . . 12*th January* 1976

Coming into operation . . . . 1*st February* 1976

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Planning(a)

(*a*) in exercise of the powers conferred by section 7(3) and 7F of the Game Preservation Act (Northern Ireland) 1928(b) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and now vested in the Head of the Department, and paragraph 2(1) and (2) of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974(c) 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 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 Preservation (Hares) Order (Northern Ireland) 1976 and shall come into operation on 1st February 1976.

Variation of close season for hares

2. In 1976, 1977 and 1978 the period during which it shall be unlawful, by virtue of section 7(1)(*a*) of the Act, wilfully to take, kill or destroy any hare shall be varied insofar as this Order applies so as to commence on 1st July and end on 11th August in each year.

Application

3. This Order applies to the taking, killing or destroying of any hare in an orchard or nursery grounds for the production of plants, shrubs or rose trees, of one-half acre or more in area by the owner thereof and any person authorised by him.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Planning for Northern Ireland on 12th January 1976.

(L.S.) *W. P. McIlmoyle*
Assistant Secretary

(a) Formerly the Minister of Home Affairs and latterly the Minister of Development: *see* S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1972 No. 252 (p. 1385); 1973 c. 36 Sch. 5 para. 7; S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504 Art. 7 (II, p. 2992)
(b) 1928 c. 25 (N.I.): *see* ss. 2 and 3 of 1951 c. 4 (N.I.)
(c) 1974 c. 28