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DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
WILDLIFE (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1985

Licence to sell, etc, dead wild foxes

This licence, granted under Article 18(4) of the Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985, permits any person to sell, offer or expose for sale, or to have in his possession or to transport or cause to be transported for the purpose of sale at any premises any dead wild fox or any part or anything derived from a dead wild fox.

Dead foxes or their unprocessed skins may not be sold after 15 February 2010 but their processed skins and derivatives may be sold after 15 February 2010.

Premises where work is undertaken in processing fox skins and derivatives must be available for inspection by an authorised officer of the Department.

This licence commences on 15 October 2009 and is valid until 14 October 2010.

Dated: 15th October 2009

Signed: 
AUTHORISED OFFICER

Note

This licence granted under Article 18(4) of the Wildlife (NI) Order 1985 has the effect of exempting any person from the provisions of Article 13(2) (a) of that Order in respect of dead wild foxes or any part or any part of anything derived from a dead wild fox. Article 13(2) (a) makes it any offence for any person to sell, offer or expose for sale, or have in his possession or transport or cause to be transported for the purpose of sale at any premises any dead



wild animal included in Schedule 7 or any part, or anything derived from, such a wild animal (Schedule 7 includes foxes).

It is an offence to use any of the following methods of taking or killing foxes:-

- (i) any self-locking snare
- (ii) any missile which is not discharged from a firearm;
- (iii) any explosive other than ammunition for a firearm;
- (iv) decoying by using any sound recording or any live animal or bird whatever;
- (v) any method prohibited under the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1972.

It is an offence for any person, who being the occupier or concerned in the management of land, to permit or suffer another person to commit an offence under (i) to (iv) above on the land.

This licence does not confer any right to access to any land.

The exemption granted by this licence only relates to Article 13(2) (a) of the Wildlife (NI) Order 1985 and does not convey exemption under any other legislation.

Any enquiries about this licence should be addressed to Northern Ireland Environment Agency, Biodiversity Unit, Klondyke Building, Cromac Avenue, Gasworks Business Park, Lower Ormeau Road, Belfast BT7 2JA. (Telephone 028 9056 9602).