SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 279

ANIMALS

The Bee Keeping (Colonsay and Oronsay) Order 2013

Made - - - - 24th September 2013

Laid before Parliament 26th September 2013

Coming into force - 1st January 2014

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14ZC of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981(1) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

In accordance with section 26(4A) of that Act(2) they have consulted Scottish Natural Heritage and any other person appearing to them to have an interest in the making of the Order.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Bee Keeping (Colonsay and Oronsay) Order 2013 and comes into force on 1st January 2014.

Prohibition on keeping certain honey bees

- 2.—(1) The animals described in paragraph (2) are specified for the purposes of section 14ZC(1) (a) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 in respect of the places described in paragraph (3).
 - (2) The described animals are animals of the genus *Apis* other than *Apis mellifera mellifera*.
 - (3) The described places are the island of Colonsay and the adjoining island of Oronsay.

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 24th September 2013

PAUL WHEELHOUSE
Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

^{(1) 1981} c.69. Section 14ZC was inserted by section 14(3) of the Wildlife and Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2011 (asp 6) ("the 2011 Act").

⁽²⁾ Subsection (4A) of section 26 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (c.69) was inserted by section 17(6) of the 2011 Act.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order prohibits the keeping of animals of the genus *Apis* (honey bees) on the adjoining islands of Colonsay and Oronsay other than animals of the subspecies *Apis mellifera mellifera* (a "black bee").

Any person who keeps or has in their possession or control on those islands a honey bee other than a black bee may be guilty of an offence under section 14ZC of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

A business and regulatory impact assessment has not been prepared for this Order.