

**HONG KONG SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION**

ORDINANCE NO. 23 OF 2006



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Chief Executive  
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An Ordinance to amend the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ordinance and the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulations to increase the penalty for cruelty to animals.

[15 December 2006]

Enacted by the Legislative Council.

**1. Short title**

This Ordinance may be cited as the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Ordinance 2006.

**2. Penalty for cruelty to animals**

Section 3(1) of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ordinance (Cap. 169) is amended by repealing “of \$5,000 and to imprisonment for 6 months” and substituting “of \$200,000 and to imprisonment for 3 years”.

**3. Orders by magistrate**

Section 5(4) is amended by repealing “of \$5,000 and to imprisonment for 6 months” and substituting “of \$200,000 and to imprisonment for 3 years”.

**4. Power to make regulations**

(1) Section 8(1) is amended by repealing everything after “such place” and substituting a full stop.

(2) Section 8 is amended by adding—

“(1A) Regulations made under subsection (1) may provide that a contravention of a specified provision of the regulations is an offence punishable by a fine not exceeding level 5 and, in the case of a continuing offence, a further fine not exceeding \$200 for every day during which the offence continues.”.

**Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulations**

**5. Regulation amended**

Regulation 21(1) of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulations (Cap. 169 sub. leg. A) is amended—

- (a) by repealing “of \$2,000 or” and substituting “at level 5 and”;
- (b) by repealing “the sum” and substituting “to a further fine”.