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amending the Animal Protection Act and the Act on explosives for civil use¹⁾

Article 1. The provisions of the Animal Protection Act of 21 August 1997 (Journal of Laws of 2023, item 1580; and of 2025, items 1696 and 1795) are hereby amended as follows:

1) after Article 7, the following Article 7a is added:

‘Article 7a. 1. The use of class F2 and F3 fireworks, as referred to in Article 62c(1)(1)(b) and (c) of the Act of 21 June 2002 on explosives for civil use (Journal of Laws of 2022, item 2378), shall be prohibited.

2. The prohibition referred to in paragraph 1 shall not apply to entrepreneurs and scientific entities operating pursuant to the provisions of the Act of 21 June 2002 on explosives for civil use and to entities authorised to use fireworks under separate regulations.

3. A municipal council may determine, by means of a resolution, the days of 31 December and 1 January as days on which the prohibition referred to in paragraph 1 shall not apply. A resolution of the municipal council shall be published in the provincial official journal.’;

2) Article 37(1) is amended as follows:

‘1. Whoever violates the injunctions or prohibitions specified in Article 7a(1), Article 9, Article 10a(1)–(3), Article 11(3), Article 12(1)–(6), Article 13(1), Article 14, Article 15(1)–(5), Article 16, Article 17(1)–(7), Article 18, Article 22(1), Article 22a, Article 25 or Article 27

— shall be subject to imprisonment or a fine.’.

Article 2. Article 9(2) of the Act of 21 June 2002 on explosives for civil use (Journal of Laws of 2022, item 2378) is amended as follows:

‘2. A permit for the purchase, storage, or use of pyrotechnic articles referred to in Article 62c(1)(1)(a), (2)(a) and 62c(1)(3)(a) is not required.’.

Article 3. This Act enters into force on 1 July 2027.

¹⁾ This Act was notified to the European Commission on 9 October 2024 under number 2024/0566/PL, pursuant to § 4 of Cabinet Regulation of 23 December 2002 concerning the manner in which the national notification system of standards and legal acts functions (Journal of Laws [Dziennik Ustaw], item 2039; and of 2004, item 597), which implements Directive (EU) 2015/1535 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 September 2015 laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical regulations and of rules on Information Society services (OJ L 241, 17.9.2015, p. 1).