**1965. No. 127** [NC]

## CINEMATOGRAPH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1959

### Date of Commencement

ORDER, DATED 16TH JUNE, 1965, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION TEN OF THE CINEMATOGRAPH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1959.

I, the Right Honourable Robert William Brian McConnell, Minister of Home Affairs, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by sub-section (2) of section ten of the Cinematograph Act (Northern Ireland) 1959(a) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") do hereby order as follows:—

**1.** This Order may be cited as the Cinematograph Act (Northern Ireland) 1959 (Date of Commencement) Order (Northern Ireland) 1965.

**2.** Sections one to nine of the Act shall come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1966.

Dated this 16th day of June, 1965.

*R. W. B. McConnell.*
Minister of Home Affairs
for Northern Ireland.

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## CINEMATOGRAPHS AND CINEMATOGRAPH FILMS

REGULATIONS, DATED 16TH JUNE, 1965, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTIONS 1, 2 AND 7 OF THE CINEMATOGRAPH ACT 1909 AND SECTIONS 1, 2(1) AND 2(2)(*b*) OF THE CINEMATOGRAPH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1959.

The Minister of Home Affairs in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 1, 2 and 7 of the Cinematograph Act 1909(b) and sections 1, 2(1) and 2(2)(*b*) of the Cinematograph Act (Northern Ireland) 1959(c) and all other powers enabling him in that behalf hereby makes the following Regulations:—

*Citation and Commencement*

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Cinematograph (Children) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1965 and shall come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1966.

*Application and Interpretation*

**2.**—(1) These Regulations apply to cinematograph exhibitions other than exhibitions given in a private dwelling-house to which the public are not admitted whether on payment or otherwise and exempted exhibitions.

(a) 1959. c. 20.
(b) 9 Edw. 7. c. 30.
(c) 1959. c. 20.

(2) In these Regulations the expression "exempted exhibitions" means exempted exhibitions within the meaning of section 5 of the Cinematograph Act (Northern Ireland) 1959 including exhibitions which by virtue of sub-section (4) of that section are to be treated as such, but excluding exhibitions which by virtue of sub-sections (2) and (5) thereof are not to be treated as such.

*Admission of Children under 5 years to Cinematograph Exhibitions*

**3.** No child apparently under the age of five years shall be admitted to a cinematograph exhibition unless the child is accompanied by and in the charge of a person who appears to have attained the age of sixteen years.

*Admission of Children under 12 years to Evening Cinematograph Exhibitions*

**4.** No child apparently under the age of twelve years shall be admitted after the hour of seven in the evening of any day to a cinematograph exhibition at any premises in the course of which there is to be shown any film or portion of a film, being a film or portion of a film which shall have been shown to the public at those premises on that day before the hour of seven in the evening, unless the child is accompanied by and in the charge of a person who appears to have attained the age of sixteen years.

*Number of Attendants at Cinematograph Exhibitions held for Children under 16 years*

**5.** At a cinematograph exhibition organised wholly or mainly as an exhibition for children under the age of sixteen years there shall be stationed on the lowest floor of the auditorium not less than one attendant who has attained the age of sixteen years for every one hundred persons or part of one hundred persons present there and on each floor of the auditorium above the lowest floor not less than one such attendant for every fifty persons or part of fifty persons present there, and the number of such attendants stationed on any floor of the auditorium to which the children are admitted shall not be less than the number of exits for use by members of the public in leaving that floor.

*Regulations not to derogate from power of Licensing Authority*

**6.** These Regulations shall not be construed as derogating from the power of a licensing authority in granting a licence under the Cinematograph Act 1909 to impose conditions or restrictions.

Dated this 16th day of June, 1965.

*R. W. B. McConnell,*
Minister of Home Affairs
for Northern Ireland.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)*

These Regulations make provision for the welfare of children at cinematograph exhibitions to which the Regulations apply (as respects their application see Regulation 2). Regulations 3 and 4 require children to be accompanied by persons of sixteen or over in certain circumstances and Regulation 5 requires the provision of attendants at exhibitions organised for children.