## 2012 No. 24

# **LICENSING**

# The Licensing (Notice relating to Age) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012

Made - - - - 30th January 2012

Coming into operation - 1st May 2012

The Department for Social Development makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 60B (2) and (3) of the Licensing (Northern Ireland) Order 1996(a) and now vested in it(b).

#### Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Licensing (Notice relating to Age) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 and shall come into operation on 1st May 2012.

#### Form and dimensions of Notice

- 2. A notice under Article 60B(1) of the Licensing (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 must—
  - (a) contain the information specified in the Schedule; and
  - (b) be contained in a document the dimensions of which are no less than 297 mm in length and 210 mm in width.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Social Development on 30th January 2012.

(L.S.)

Michael Daly
A senior officer of the Department for Social Development

<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 1996/3158 (N.I. 22); Article 60B was inserted by Section 3 of the Licensing and Registration of Clubs (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Act 2011 (c.18 (N.I.))

<sup>(</sup>b) See Article 8(b) of and Part II of Schedule 6 to the Departments (Transfer and Assignment of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) (S.R. 1999 No. 481)

# NOTICE RELATING TO AGE

It is an offence to sell intoxicating liquor to a person under the age of 18 on these premises.

It is an offence to sell intoxicating liquor to any person for consumption by a person under the age of 18 on these premises.

It is an offence for a person under the age of 18 to purchase or consume intoxicating liquor on these premises.

It is an offence for any person to purchase intoxicating liquor for a person under the age of 18 on these premises.

Where there is doubt as to whether a person is aged 18 years or over, intoxicating liquor will not be sold to the person on these premises except on production of evidence showing the person to be 18 or over. Acceptable proof of age documents are:

- a passport;
- a photocard driving licence;
- an electoral identity card; and
- a photographic identity card of a type approved by the British Retail Consortium for the purposes of its Proof of Age Scheme (PASS).

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations prescribe the notice relating to age that licensed premises must display in those areas where intoxicating liquor is sold; the information to be contained in the notice in relation to offences concerning the sale to, purchase or consumption of intoxicating liquor by persons under 18 years of age; and the list of acceptable proof-of-age documents where there is doubt as to whether a person is aged 18 years or over.

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