

## **CINEMAS**

### LICENCE CONDITIONS

- 1 'Film' in these conditions means 'Film exhibition' as defined in the Cinemas Act 1985. 'Council' means the Council as Licensing Authority under the 1985 Act.
- 2 Subject to conditions 3 and 4:
  - (a) No film shall be exhibited unless it has received a 'U', 'PG', '12', '12A', '15' OR '18' certificate from the British Board of Film Classification;
  - (b) No one under the age of 18 shall be admitted to see a film with an '18' certificate
  - (c) No one under the age of 15 years shall be admitted to see a film with a '15' certificate
  - (d) No one under the age of 12 years shall be admitted to see a film with a '12' certificate;
  - (e) No one under the age of 12 years shall be admitted to see a film with a '12A' certificate unless accompanied by an adult.
- 3 Any other film may be exhibited if the permission of the Council is first obtained and any conditions of such permission are complied with.
- 4 The Council may prohibit the showing of any film by giving written notice to the Licensee.
- 5 The terms of any certificate given by the British Board of Film Classification shall be shown on the screen immediately before the showing of any film to which it relates.
- 6 There shall be prominently exhibited at each public entrance whenever premises are open to the public for the showing of films a notice indicating clearly:
  - (a) the title of each film to be shown on that day, other than trailers and films of less than 5 minutes duration;
  - (b) the approximate time of commencement of each film;

- (c) whether each film has received a 'U', 'PG', '12', '12A', '15' OR '18' certificate from the British Board of Film Classification; and
  - (d) the effect of the certificates on the admission of persons under the age of 18 years.
- 7 The type of certificate received from the British Board of Film Classification shall be clearly indicated by 'U', 'PG', '12', '12A', '15' OR '18' in any advertisement of the film displayed at the premises.
- 8 No advertisement displayed at the premises of a film to be exhibited there shall depict any scene or incident not included in the film as certified by the British Board of Film Classification or as approved for exhibition by the Council.
- 9 Where the Council has given notice in writing to the Licence holder objecting to an advertisement, that advertisement shall not be displayed at the premises.
- 10 The premises shall only open between 8am and 1am the following day, unless the written consent of the Council is given to open earlier or later.
- 11 No animals shall be permitted in the premises during the exhibition of a film except assistance dogs. The licence holder shall not refuse admission to patrons with recognised assistance dogs.
- 12 All staff on duty shall wear a distinguishing uniform or armband or otherwise be identified by name badge, and shall, have in their possession an electric torch in working condition.
- 13 Films in the 'RESTRICTED (18)' category shall not be shown without the consent in writing of the Council. Any consent granted in terms of this condition shall be subject to all the following conditions being complied with and any other conditions the Council consider necessary.
- (a) Films in the 'RESTRICTED (18)' category shall not be exhibited except at licensed premises being operated as a club.
  - (b) No films in the 'RESTRICTED (18)' category shall be shown in a multi-screen complex unless the area used for such films and all facilities (including foyers, lavatories, and refreshment areas) are wholly segregated and accessible only through a separate entrance and box office.

- (c) A register of members shall be maintained and made available for inspection by Council officials or police constables. A membership card (with a photograph of the member) shall be issued to each member.
  - (d) Tickets shall not be sold to persons other than members.
  - (e) No one shall be admitted to view a film in the 'RESTRICTED (18)' category unless a valid membership card for that person is displayed at the time of admission.
  - (f) Advertising for films in the 'RESTRICTED (18)' category shall specify only the title of the film and the category and will not include pictorial material or other information about the names of performers or the plot.
  - (g) Membership rules for club cinemas shall include the following:
    - (i) Membership shall only be open to people of not less than 18 years of age. Applications for membership, including name and address, shall be in writing and signed by the applicant. Applicants shall provide proof of their age to the Licence holder;
    - (ii) No one shall be admitted to membership until at least 24 hours after the application has been approved by the licence holder;
    - (iii) Membership cards shall not be transferable.
- 14 The number of people admitted to the premises shall be strictly controlled to ensure that there is no overcrowding., in line with the capacity stated on the licence.
- 15 All approaches, staircases and passageways shall be kept free from obstruction. No seat or other obstruction shall be placed in any of the passageways and no-one shall be allowed to stand or sit in any passageway during performances.
- 16 All doors and barriers shall open outwards and shall not be fastened or locked except by push bar mechanisms which release the door under pressure.

- 17 Emergency lighting signs should be either internally illuminated or illuminated by a light no more than 2 metres away and from a maintained system with 3 hours duration, in accordance with BS 5266: Part 1: 2011 at all material times. All exit doors shall be useable at the end of each performance. The transparency shall be illuminated by a maintained system of lighting and must be visible from the auditorium at all times when the premises are open to the public.
- 18 Any decorative surface finishes shall be either non-combustible or durably flame-proofed.
- 19 The premises shall be lit to the satisfaction of the Council. A maintained system of secondary lighting shall be provided throughout the building, kept in proper working order and kept on when the premises are open to the public.
- 20 The electric installation of the premises shall be kept in proper working order.
- 21 No temporary electric lighting installation shall be used in any part of the premises without the correct certification being in place. All temporary connections to the permanent installation in the premises shall be disconnected immediately after each performance
- 22 Any amplified music and speech shall be controlled so as not to be an audible nuisance to the satisfaction of the relevant Executive Directors.
- 23 The licence holder shall display the Cinema Licence and Conditions in a prominent position.
- 24 The relevant fire authority, any Police Constable and any authorised Council Officer shall be permitted free access to the premises at any time.

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