

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1996 No. 3159

The Registration of Clubs (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

PART II

REGISTRATION OF CLUBS

Register and proof of certificate of registration

Register of clubs

16.—(1) [^{F1}The Department of Justice shall cause to be kept (whether by clerks of petty sessions or otherwise) a register of clubs] in respect of which a certificate of registration is issued under Article 6(1).

(2) [^{F2}There shall be recorded] in respect of each club entered in the register—

- (a) the matters which under Article 6(1) are required to be specified in the certificate of registration;
- (b) the names and addresses of the officials of the club;
- (c) particulars of any renewal of registration of the club;
- (d) particulars of any cancellation of registration of the club and of any disqualification order made in consequence of the cancellation;

[^{F3}(da) particulars of any order made under Article 12A(2)(a), (4) or (5) in respect of the premises of the club and of any requirement in respect of those premises notice of which is served under Article 12A(2)(b);]

(e) particulars of any conviction of the club of any offence under this Order and of any penalty points endorsed on the certificate of registration [^{F4}or any suspension or disqualification order] made in consequence of the conviction;

(f) such other matters as may be prescribed.

^{F5}(3)

^{F5}(4)

(5) [^{F6}The [^{F7}Department of Justice] may cause such alterations to be made] in the register as are necessary to ensure that the matters recorded in the register in respect of the club are accurate.

F1 Words in art. 16(1) substituted (31.10.2016) by [Justice Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 9\), s. 106\(2\), Sch. 1 para. 111\(2\)\(a\)](#) (with [Sch. 8 para. 1](#)); S.R. 2016/387, art. 2(k) (with art. 3)

F2 Words in art. 16(2) substituted (31.10.2016) by [Justice Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 9\), s. 106\(2\), Sch. 1 para. 111\(2\)\(b\)](#) (with [Sch. 8 para. 1](#)); S.R. 2016/387, art. 2(k) (with art. 3)

F3 [Art. 16\(2\)\(da\)](#) inserted (1.10.2022) by [Licensing and Registration of Clubs \(Amendment\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2021 \(c. 7\), ss. 29\(3\), 47\(2\)](#); S.R. 2022/180, arts. 1(2), 2, Sch.

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- F4** Words in art. 16(2)(e) substituted (1.5.2012) by [Licensing and Registration of Clubs \(Amendment\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2011 \(c. 18\), s. 18, Sch. 3 para. 7](#); S.R. 2012/48, art. 2, Sch.
- F5** Art. 16(3)(4) repealed (31.10.2016) by [Justice Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 9\), s. 106\(2\), Sch. 1 para. 111\(2\)\(c\), Sch. 9 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 8 para. 1](#)); S.R. 2016/387, art. 2(k)(m) (with art. 3)
- F6** Words in art. 16(5) substituted (31.10.2016) by [Justice Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 9\), s. 106\(2\), Sch. 1 para. 111\(2\)\(d\)](#) (with [Sch. 8 para. 1](#)); S.R. 2016/387, art. 2(k) (with art. 3)
- F7** Words in art. 16(5) substituted (27.8.2021) by [Licensing and Registration of Clubs \(Amendment\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2021 \(c. 7\), s. 47\(1\)\(d\), Sch. 1 para. 16](#)

Inspection of register

17. A register of clubs may be inspected and copies of all or any part of any entry in the register may be taken, at all reasonable hours.

Returns to Department

18. ^{F8}The Department of Justice shall, in respect of each such period as the Department may specify, arrange for a statement to be sent to the Department showing—

- (a) the number of clubs having a current certificate of registration;]
- (b) the number of voting and non-voting members of each club;

and containing such other information as the Department may require.

- F8** Words in [art. 18](#) substituted (31.10.2016) by [Justice Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 9\), s. 106\(2\), Sch. 1 para. 111\(3\)](#) (with [Sch. 8 para. 1](#)); S.R. 2016/387, art. 2(k) (with art. 3)

Register of clubs to be evidence

19.—(1) A register of clubs shall be received in evidence of the matters required by or under this Order to be recorded in it, and any document purporting to be certified by a clerk of petty sessions to be a true copy of an entry in the register of clubs ^{F9}... shall be received in evidence of any such matters contained in the entry.

(2) On an application for the grant, renewal or cancellation of the registration of a club under this Order the court shall have regard to the entries, if any, in the register of clubs relating to the person by whom, or the club premises in respect of which, the application is made.

- F9** Words in [art. 19\(1\)](#) repealed (31.10.2016) by [Justice Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 9\), s. 106\(2\), Sch. 1 para. 111\(4\), Sch. 9 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 8 para. 1](#)); S.R. 2016/387, art. 2(k)(m) (with art. 3)

Proof, etc., of certificates of registration

20.—(1) A document purporting to be a certificate of registration and to be signed by the clerk of the court by which the club was registered shall be received in evidence.

(2) A document which has been issued by [^{F10}a clerk of petty sessions] and certified by him to contain a true copy of the particulars recorded in the register of clubs in respect of that club shall be treated for the purposes of this Order as the certificate of registration.

(3) The clerk of petty sessions may issue a document under paragraph (2) where he is satisfied that the certificate of registration has been lost or destroyed.

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F10 Words in [art. 20\(2\)](#) substituted (31.10.2016) by [Justice Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 9\), s. 106\(2\), Sch. 1 para. 111\(5\)](#) (with [Sch. 8 para. 1](#)); [S.R. 2016/387, art. 2\(k\)](#) (with [art. 3](#))

Effect of registration

21. The registration of a club under this Order shall not constitute the club premises licensed premises within the meaning of the Licensing (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 or authorise any sale of intoxicating liquor in the club which would otherwise be illegal but the supply, in accordance with the rules of the club and this Order, of intoxicating liquor by a registered club to a member of the club or to a guest of a member of the club shall not, for the purposes of any statutory provision prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor, be deemed to be an unlawful sale to that member or guest.

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- [art. 31B inserted by 2011 c. 18 \(N.I.\) s. 11](#)