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## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# 1985 No. 1204

## The Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985

### PART V

#### AMUSEMENTS AND COMPETITIONS

##### *Pleasure permits*

##### ***Renewal of pleasure permits***

**161.**—(1) An application for the renewal of a pleasure permit shall be made to the district council for the district in which the premises are situated and the applicant shall—

- (a) attach to the application a fee of £8.50; and
- (b) serve a copy of the application upon the sub-divisional commander of the police sub-division in which those premises are situated.

(2) The district council, after hearing representations, if any, from the sub-divisional commander upon whom notice is required by paragraph (1) to be served shall renew the pleasure permit unless it is satisfied—

- (a) that the applicant is not a fit person to hold a pleasure permit; or
- (b) that the applicant has allowed the business carried on under the pleasure permit to be managed by, or carried on for the benefit of, a person other than the applicant, who would himself be refused the grant of a pleasure permit; or
- (c) <sup>F1</sup> .....
- (d) that the council has been refused reasonable facilities to inspect the premises; or
- (e) that, having regard to the conditions in which amusements with prizes have been provided on the premises, or the manner in which any such amusements have been conducted since the permit was granted it is undesirable that amusements with prizes should be provided on those premises; or
- (f) that, since the last previous renewal of the permit (or, where the renewal applied for is the first renewal of the permit, since the permit was granted), the premises have been used for an unlawful purpose or as a resort of persons of known bad character.

(3) A district council shall renew the pleasure permit subject to the condition that the premises are not to be used for an unlawful purpose or as a resort of persons of known bad character.

(4) A district council may renew the pleasure permit subject to the condition—

- (a) that the premises are illuminated in the manner specified by the council; or
- (b) that advertising of, and window displays on, the premises are in the form specified by the council; or

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- (c) that such notices are displayed and such information given on the premises as the council specifies in relation to any condition to which the pleasure permit is subject.
- (5) The Department may, by order subject to affirmative resolution, substitute for the fee specified<sup>F2</sup> in paragraph (1)] such other fee as may be specified in the order.

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| <b>F1</b> | <a href="#">Art. 161(2)(c)</a> repealed (15.11.2010) by <a href="#">Fire and Rescue Services (Northern Ireland) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1254 (N.I. 9))</a> , arts. 1(3), 63(2), <a href="#">Sch. 4</a> (with art. 62); S.R. 2010/328, <a href="#">art. 2</a> |
| <b>F2</b> | <a href="#">2004 NI 1</a>  |

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- Instrument applied by [1997 c. 16 s.15\(3\)](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Act applied by [1997 c. 16 s.15\(3\)](#)

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

- art. 172A and cross-heading inserted by [2022 c. 14 \(N.I.\) s. 15\(1\)](#)
- art. 186(3A) inserted by [2022 c. 14 \(N.I.\) s. 15\(2\)\(a\)](#)