
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2008 No. 1769

The Sexual Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 2008

PART 1

INTRODUCTORY

“Sexual”

4. For the purposes of this Order, except [^{F1}Article 22A (sexual communication with a child) or] Article 75 (sexual activity in a public lavatory), penetration, touching or any other activity is sexual if a reasonable person would consider that—

- (a) whatever its circumstances or any person's purpose in relation to it, it is because of its nature sexual, or
- (b) because of its nature it may be sexual and because of its circumstances or the purpose of any person in relation to it (or both), it is sexual.

Textual Amendments

F1 Words in [art. 4](#) inserted (25.7.2015) by [Justice Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 9\)](#), [ss. 90\(2\)](#), 106(1)(b)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Sexual Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 2008, Section 4.