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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2008 No. 1769**

**The Sexual Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 2008**

**PART 6**

**MISCELLANEOUS SEXUAL OFFENCES**

*Other offences*

**Voyeurism: interpretation**

**72.**—(1) For the purposes of Article 71 a person is doing a private act if the person is in a place which, in the circumstances, would reasonably be expected to provide privacy, and—

- (a) the person's genitals, buttocks or breasts are exposed or covered only with underwear,
- (b) the person is using a lavatory, or
- (c) the person is doing a sexual act that is not of a kind ordinarily done in public.

[<sup>F1</sup>(1A) For the purposes of Articles 71, 71A and 71B operating equipment includes (in the case of equipment that is capable of activation) enabling or securing its activation by another person without that person's knowledge.]

(2) In Article 71, “structure” includes a tent, vehicle or vessel or other temporary or movable structure.

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** [Art. 72\(1A\)](#) inserted (27.11.2023) by [Justice \(Sexual Offences and Trafficking Victims\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2022 \(c. 19\)](#), **ss. 1(3)**, 30(2); S.R. 2023/188, art. 3(a)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Sexual Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 2008, Section 72.