STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2002 No. 1903

CINEMAS AND FILMS

The Cinematograph (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2002

Made - - - - 19th July 2002

Laid before Parliament 22nd July 2002

Coming into force - 12th August 2002

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by section 4(1) and 4(2)(a) of the Cinemas Act 1985(1), hereby makes the following Regulations:

- **1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Cinematograph (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2002.
 - (2) These Regulations shall come into force on 12th August 2002.
 - (3) These Regulations shall not extend to Scotland.
 - **2.**—(1) The Cinematograph (Safety) Regulations 1955(2) are amended as follows.
 - (2) In—
 - (a) regulation 4(1), for the word "twenty-one" substitute "eighteen";
 - (b) regulation 4(2), for the word "twenty-one" substitute "eighteen";
 - (c) regulation 26, for the word "twenty-one" substitute "eighteen";
 - (d) regulation 31(7)(a), for the word "twenty-one" substitute "eighteen";
 - (e) regulation 38(1), for the word "twenty-one" substitute "eighteen".

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Department for Culture, Media and Sport

19th July 2002

⁽**1**) 1985 c. 13.

⁽²⁾ S.I.1955/1129, as amended by S.I. 1958/1530, S.I. 1965/282, S.I. 1976/1315 and S.I. 1982/1856.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Cinematograph (Safety) Regulations 1955 to lower the age from twenty-one to eighteen of: (a) a licensee or a person nominated by the licensee to be responsible for the premises at all times when the public are on the premises (regulation 4 and 38(1)), (b) a person who is responsible for ensuring that electrical installations and equipment in the projection room are kept in good order (regulation 26), (c) a person in charge of and present in the projection room whenever inflammable film is being projected (regulation 31(7)(a)).