
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Police and Criminal Evidence
(Northern Ireland) Order 1989**

PART VI

QUESTIONING AND TREATMENT OF PERSONS BY POLICE

Interpretation of Part VI

53. In this Part—

“appropriate consent” means—

- (a) in relation to a person who has attained the age of 17 years, the consent of that person;
- (b) in relation to a person who has not attained that age but has attained the age of 14 years, the consent of that person and his parent or guardian; and
- (c) in relation to a person who has not attained the age of 14 years, the consent of his parent or guardian;

“fingerprints” includes palm prints;

“intimate sample” means a sample of blood, semen or any other tissue fluid, urine or pubic hair, or a swab taken from any of a person’s body orifices except his mouth;

“medical practitioner” means a fully registered person within the meaning of the Medical Act 1983(1);

“non-intimate sample” means—

- (a) a sample of hair other than pubic hair;
- (b) a sample taken from a nail or from under a nail;
- (c) a sample of saliva;
- (d) a swab taken from a person’s mouth;
- (e) a swab taken from any other part of a person’s body except a body orifice other than his mouth;
- (f) a footprint or a similar impression of any part of a person’s body other than a part of his hand.