
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Registration of Clubs (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

PART IV

CONDUCT OF REGISTERED CLUBS

Functions in registered clubs

30.—(1) A registered club shall not hold, in the premises of the club, any function unless—

- (a) the function is for the benefit of the club as a whole;
- (b) the function is related to the objects of the club;
- (c) the function is organised by the club; and
- (d) only members of the club and their guests are present at the function.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to any function—

- (a) where the whole proceeds of the function, after deducting the expenses of the function, are devoted to charitable or benevolent purposes; or
- (b) which is organised by a registered club for a member and at which only the member and his guests are present.

(3) If paragraph (1) is contravened—

- (a) the registered club; and
- (b) every official of the club at the time of the contravention;

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.

(4) In any proceedings for an offence by reason of a contravention of paragraph (1) it shall be a defence for a person to prove that he exercised all due diligence to avoid the commission of such an offence.

(5) In this Article, “club” includes any separate branch or section of a club.