
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2006 No. 439

**The Equality Act (Sexual Orientation)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006**

Charities

26.—(1) Nothing in these Regulations shall make it unlawful for a person to provide benefits only to persons of a particular sexual orientation, if —

- (a) he acts in pursuance of a charitable instrument; and
- (b) the restriction of benefits to persons of that sexual orientation is imposed by reason of or on the grounds of the provisions of the charitable instrument.

(2) In this regulation “charitable instrument” means a statutory provision or other instrument (whenever taking effect) so far as it relates to purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law of Northern Ireland.