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CINEMATOGRAPHS AND CINEMATOGRAPH FILMS

The Cinematograph (Safety) Regulations 1965

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In pursuance of section 1 of the Cinematograph Act 1909(a), as amended by section 8 of and the Schedule to the Cinematograph Act 1952(b), and of sections 1 and 2(1)(a) of the said Act of 1952, I hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. Paragraphs (2)(c) and (3) of Regulation 8 of the principal Regulations (which relate to the metal shutters to cover the openings in the front face of a projection room) shall be omitted.

2. Regulation 8A of the principal Regulations shall be amended as follows:—

(a) in paragraph (1)(c) thereof, for the words “ cut off the source of light in the projector lantern from the film gate by means of a metal shutter, extinguish that source of light ” there shall be substituted the words “ extinguish the source of light in the projector lantern ”; and

(b) at the end of paragraph (2)(iv) thereof, there shall be inserted the words “ which is not immediately and automatically made good ”.

3. For paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) of Regulation 10 of the principal Regulations there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

“ 10.—(1) Unless the source of light in a film projector is an electric discharge lamp which will not light or remain lit when the projector is not running, the projector shall be fitted with a metal shutter which, when the projector stops running, automatically cuts off the source of light from the film gate.”

4. After Regulation 31 of the principal Regulations there shall be inserted the following Regulations:—

“ Projection room shutters

31A.—(1) The openings in the front face of a projection room in which inflammable film is used shall be fitted with metal shutters so constructed that—

(a) they can be closed from a point within the projection room near the projectors and also from a point outside the projection and rewinding rooms which is accessible to members of the staff;

(b) they can, if required, be closed simultaneously; and

(c) when closed, they fit closely over the openings.

(2) The shutters aforesaid and the mechanism for closing them shall be tested on each day on which there is a cinematograph exhibition, and before the public are admitted to the premises.

Projectors used for inflammable film

31B.—(1) A film projector in which inflammable film is used shall have a metal shutter (in addition to and operating independently of that required by Regulation 10(1) of these Regulations) capable of cutting off the source of light from the film gate; and the shutter shall either be such that it operates automatically when the projector stops, or that it can be readily operated by hand:

Provided that this paragraph shall not apply to—

(a) a projector in which the source of light is an electric discharge lamp which will not light or remain lit when the projector is not working; or

(b) a projector constructed to use only film not exceeding 16 mm. in width and in which the source of light is a hermetically sealed electric lamp.

(2) A projector in which inflammable film is used shall be so constructed and maintained that the film gate of that projector is not liable to become overheated.

(3) The openings above and below the film gate of a projector in which inflammable film is used shall be sufficiently narrow to prevent flame travelling upwards or downwards.”

5. In these Regulations the expression “principal Regulations” means the Cinematograph (Safety) Regulations 1955(a), as amended by the Cinematograph (Safety) Regulations 1958(b).

6. These Regulations may be cited as the Cinematograph (Safety) Regulations 1965 and shall come into operation on 15th March 1965.

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19th February 1965.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations amend the principal Regulations (as defined in Regulation 5) so that the requirements as regards metal shutters to cover the windows in the front of a projection room, and certain requirements concerning the construction and design of film projectors, instead of applying generally, shall apply only where inflammable film is used. The Regulations dispense with the requirement for a shutter to cut off the light source from the film gate in a projector, where the light source is an electric discharge lamp which will not light or remain lit when the projector is not running.

(a) S.I. 1955/1129 (1955 I, p. 305).

(b) S.I. 1958/1530 (1958 I, p. 289).

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