

SEXUAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUE LICENCE

Standard Conditions

External Appearance of the Venue and Public Displays of Information

The Licence holder shall ensure:

- 1. That there is to be no advertisement or promotional material used by the venue on the exterior of the venue that is unsuitable to be viewed by children, for example, by way of sexually provocative imagery. The licence holder shall ensure that any exterior signage is discreet and must not display any imagery or wording that suggests or indicates relevant sexual entertainment takes place within the venue. Any external displays or advertising within the Council area may only be displayed with the prior written approval of the Council.
- 2. The interior of the venue must not be visible to persons outside.
- 3. That all charges for products and services shall be displayed in prominent areas within the venue.
- 4. That an appropriate code of conduct for customers is displayed in prominent areas within the venue, and at each customer table and in the bar area.
- 5. Performers at the venue should always be covered by a jacket when they are outside the venue at any time it is open and when they are intending to perform within the venue that night/morning/afternoon.
- 6. That the use of any cruising cars or any other vehicles by the venue to solicit customers or to transport customers to or from the venue is prohibited.
- 7. The licence must be prominently displayed at all times so as to be easily read by all persons using the venue.

Control of Entry to the Venue

- 8. No person under the age of 18 years shall be permitted admission to the venue at any time it is being used under this licence.
- 9. No person under the age of 18 years shall work at the venue as a performer.
- 10. The Challenge 25 proof of age scheme shall be operated at the venue whereby any person suspected of being under 25 years of age shall be required to produce identification proving they are over 18 years of age. The only acceptable forms of identification are recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence or passport.
- 11. The venue shall maintain a refusals log, retained for one year, whereby on any occasion where a person is refused entry it shall be recorded and available upon request by Police Scotland or an authorised officer of the Council.

- 12. A person who holds a licence granted under section 8 of the Private Security Act 2001 must be positioned at every entrance to the venue from 1am (on any day when the venue is open at that time) until whichever is the earlier: The time at which the venue next closes or such other time as the Committee may specify.
- 13. That any person who appears to be intoxicated or presents as being under the influence of drugs shall not be permitted entrance to the venue.
- 14. That a policy of random searches of persons entering the venue is operated at all times when the venue is open to customers.
- 15. Any person found to be in possession of illegal drugs upon entry shall be prevented entry to the venue.
- 16. Reasonable steps must be taken to ensure that any person found using illegal drugs in the venue shall be appropriately removed from the venue.

Conduct of Performers and Rules relating to Performances of Sexual Entertainment

- 17. The licence holder shall ensure there is a written code of conduct for performers who work in the venue and staff who are employed in the venue. This must include explaining the conditions of the SEV licence to all staff and performers and also that their activities will be recorded on CCTV.
- 18. The licence holder must also provide an information pack to all performers and staff which should include at least the following information:
 - a. A copy of the SEV licence;
 - b. Details of how to report a crime to Police Scotland;
 - c. Details of unions, trade organisations or other bodies that represent the interests of performers;
 - d. A copy of the code of conduct referred to in condition 17 above;
 - e. A copy of the code of conduct for customers referred to in condition 4 above: and
 - f. Price lists for drinks and separately sexual entertainment.
- 19. There must be no topless nudity by performers in public areas of the venue with the exception of topless performances within any performance area within the venue.
- 20. Performers must replace their tops at the end of each private performance and at the end of any stage performance.
- 21. Performances of sexual entertainment may only take place in designated areas of the venue as detailed in the licence.
- 22. There shall be no photography permitted by customers, owner, licence holder, staff or performers in the venue.
- 23. Customers must remain seated for the duration of a performance with the exception of requiring the toilet or using the bar within the venue.

24. Performers shall not arrange to meet, or have further contact with, customers outside of the venue when working.

The Protection of Performers and the Prevention of Crime in the Venue

- 25. Performers must be provided with secure and private changing facilities so that no customers in the venue can access these facilities.
- 26. All entrances to private areas within the venue to which members of the public are not permitted access shall have clear signage stating that access is restricted.
- 27. Any exterior smoking area for use by performers shall be kept secure and separate to any public smoking area.
- 28. The licence holder shall implement a written policy to ensure the safety of performers when leaving the venue following any period of work.
- 29. Private booths must not be fully enclosed.
- 30. There must be a minimum of one member of security staff present on any floor where a performance of sexual entertainment is taking place and one member of security staff at the entrance to the venue, at all times when the venue is open to the public.
- 31. There shall be no alterations to the layout plan of the venue without a variation of the licence.

Record Keeping and Management

- 32. All performers and staff shall be required to provide to the manager of the venue, valid identification prior to first performing or working at the venue. Valid forms of identification are recognised photographic identification such as passport or driving licence.
- 33. All performers and staff shall be eligible to work in the UK and proof of eligibility records shall be kept securely and confidentially in the venue. Management shall ensure that such records are regularly checked to ensure compliance, and these should be provided to Police Scotland or an authorised officer of the Council on request.
- 34. Accurate payment and remuneration records must be maintained for one year and made available upon request to Police Scotland or an authorised officer of the Council.
- 35. A fully operational CCTV system must be used within the venue which complies with the Data Protection Act 2018 Act and Regulations, covering all areas of the venue to which the public have access, including entrances, exits, private booths and bar area. The CCTV must be fitted and maintained in full working order in accordance with the guidance provided by the Information Commissioner's Office and to the satisfaction of Police Scotland.

- 36. CCTV footage must be made available to Police Scotland and authorised officers of the Council on request.
- 37. Throughout the SEV licensed hours a member of staff fully trained on the operation of CCTV must be present in the venue.