

Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) (Assemblies and Processions) (Amendment) Rules 2004

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MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES (PUBLIC ORDER AND NUISANCE) (ASSEMBLIES AND PROCESSIONS) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2004

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 5 (1) of the Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) Act, the Minister for Home Affairs hereby makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) (Assemblies and Processions) (Amendment) Rules 2004 and shall come into operation on 1st October 2004.

Amendment of rule 4

2. Rule 4(1) of the Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) (Assemblies and Processions) Rules (R 1) is amended by deleting the word “No” and substituting the words “Subject to rule 15, no”.

New rule 15

3. The Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) (Assemblies and Processions) Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 14, the following rule:

“Permit not required for certain wedding and funeral processions

15.—(1) Rule 4 shall not apply to any procession held in connection with a wedding or funeral if, and only if —

- (a) the procession is held in an area other than that specified in any order made under section 5(2) of the Act; and
- (b) the following conditions are complied with:
 - (i) the promoter of the procession shall be present at the assembly area and shall accompany the procession at all times until the procession stops or the participants disperse, whichever is the later;
 - (ii) the procession shall be held between the hours of 7 a.m. and 10.30 p.m. and shall not exceed 30 minutes;
 - (iii) no public address system shall be used during the procession;
 - (iv) the number of participants in the procession shall not exceed 150 persons;
 - (v) no banners, posters or placards shall be displayed along the route of the procession;
 - (vi) participants in the procession shall not solicit sponsorship or monetary contributions along the route of the procession;
 - (vii) the route of the procession shall not exceed a distance of 100 metres;
 - (viii) the procession shall not cause or result in obstruction or inconvenience on any public road, bridge, landing place, or in any public place or place of public resort;
 - (ix) in the case of a procession on a public road —
 - (A) the procession shall not occupy more than one lane