# Women's Charter (Protection of Women and Girls) (Amendment) Rules 1997

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# WOMEN'S CHARTER (CHAPTER 353)

# WOMEN'S CHARTER (PROTECTION OF WOMEN AND GIRLS) (AMENDMENT) RULES 1997

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 180(1) of the Women's Charter, the Minister for Community Development hereby makes the following Rules:

## Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Women's Charter (Protection of Women and Girls) (Amendment) Rules 1997 and shall come into operation on 1st May 1997.

#### Amendment of rule 2

2. Rule 2 of the Women's Charter (Protection of Women and Girls) Rules (R 2) (referred to in these Rules as the principal Rules) is amended by deleting the words "the Board" in the definition of "Board" and substituting the words "a Board".

#### Amendment of rule 3

- **3.** Rule 3 of the principal Rules is amended by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:
  - "(1) The Board shall consist of such number of persons as the Minister may determine."

### **Deletion and substitution of rule** 7

**4.** Rule 7 of the principal Rules is deleted and the following rule substituted therefor:

# "Chairman of Board

- 7.—(1) The Chairman shall be appointed by the Minister from amongst the members of the Board.
  - (2) The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Board.".

### **Deletion and substitution of rule 9**

**5.** Rule 9 of the principal Rules is deleted and the following rule substituted therefor:

# "Secretary to Board

- **9.**—(1) The Chairman shall appoint a Secretary to the Board.
- (2) The Secretary shall not be a member of the Board and shall not be entitled to vote at a meeting of the Board.".

#### **Deletion and substitution of rule 12**

**6.** Rule 12 of the principal Rules is deleted and the following rule substituted therefor:

# "Quorum

- 12.—(1) The quorum at every meeting of the Board shall be half the total number of members of the Board, and shall include the Chairman or the Deputy Chairman.
- (2) No business shall be transacted or discussed at a meeting of the Board unless a quorum is present.".

### Amendment of rule 22

7. Rule 22 of the principal Rules is amended by inserting, immediately after the words "place of safety" in the fifth line, the words "or at such earlier time as he considers necessary".

# Amendment of rule 24

**8.** Rule 24(1) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting "7 members all of whom shall be appointed by the Minister" in the second line and substituting the words "such number of members as the Minister may determine".

## Amendment of rule 25

- 9. Rule 25(2) of the principal Rules is amended
  - (a) by deleting the word "from" in the third line and substituting the word "of"; and
  - (b) by deleting the words ", and shall provide the girl on discharge or release on parole licence, with sufficient wearing apparel" in the fourth, fifth and sixth lines.

# Amendment of rule 26

- **10.** Rule 26 of the principal Rules is amended
  - (a) by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph: