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RATES

Recreational Charities (Record of Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979

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The Department of Finance in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Articles 2(2) and 61(1)(*bb*) of the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1977(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Recreational Charities (Record of Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 and shall come into operation on 1st June 1979.

Definitions

2. In these regulations—

"use for recreational charity" means use for the provision of facilities as mentioned in the Recreational Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 1958(**b**);

"authorised person" means the Commissioner of Valuation or a district valuer, or any person authorised by the Commissioner in writing to exercise functions under these regulations.

Record of use for recreational charity

3.—(1) Where—

(*a*) a hereditament occupied by a body that is not established or conducted for profit is used by that body or any other person for recreational charity; and

(*b*) the occupying body proposes to claim to have the hereditament distinguished in the valuation list as exempt from rates in accordance with paragraph (3) of Article 41 of the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 as being a hereditament of a description mentioned in paragraph (2)(*f*)(**c**) of that Article,

the occupying body shall cause a record of all active uses (within the meaning of Article 41(10)(*b*)(**d**) of that Order) of the hereditament to be kept by a person authorised by the body in that behalf in a book ("the record book") provided by the body solely for the purpose of keeping such a record.

(2) The record mentioned in paragraph (1) shall be kept in the form set out in the Schedule.

(a) S.I. 1977/2157 (N.I. 28) as amended by S.I. 1979/297 (N.I. 4), Art. 7(*e*)
(b) 1958 c. 16 (N.I.)
(c) Paragraph (2)(*f*) was added by S.I. 1979/297 (N.I. 4), Art. 4(1)
(d) Paragraph (10) was added by S.I. 1979/297 (N.I. 4), Art. 4(2)

(3) The record of each active use of the hereditament shall be made or completed as soon as is reasonably practicable after the conclusion of that use and shall be authenticated by the signature of the person keeping the record.

Inspection of records

4.—(1) Every record book shall be made available by the person keeping the record to an authorised person on the request of the authorised person made at any reasonable time.

(2) An authorised person acting under paragraph (1) by virtue of an authorisation in writing given by the Commissioner shall, if so required, produce his authorisation.

(3) An authorised person to whom a record book is produced may inspect the book and make a copy of it or of any entry in it (retaining the book so long as is reasonably necessary for making the copy).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance for Northern Ireland on 1st May 1979.

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