

CAYMAN ISLANDS



**THE CINEMATOGGRAPH
RULES, 1964**

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[Cap. 18]

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In accordance with the powers conferred on the Authority by Section 8 of the Cinematograph Law (Cap. 18), the following Revised Rules are hereby made with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly: -

1. These Rules may be cited as the Cinematograph Rules, 1964 and shall come into operation on a day to be appointed and published by Government Notice.

- (a) Any permission granted to any person in the Cayman Islands to conduct cinematographic exhibitions shall be in writing, signed by the Administrator as Chairman of the Board, and shall be valid for a period not greater than twelve months from the granting thereof.
- (b) Such licence shall only be granted to conduct cinematographic exhibitions on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Licences to hold cinematographic exhibitions on Sundays and Good Fridays shall be granted only by special permission of the Authority.
- (c) Any licence to conduct cinematographic exhibitions during week-days shall be framed and displayed inside the building used for such purposes.
- (d) The fee for an annual licence shall be £5, and for a six (6) month licence £2.10.0. The fee for a special licence shall be 10/- but at the discretion of the Authority this fee may be waived under certain circumstances.
- (e) All persons conducting cinematographic exhibitions shall take all such necessary steps to provide for the safety of the public in the case of fire as may be prescribed by the Authority.
- (f) No child under the age of 8 years shall be admitted to a public cinematographic exhibition, provided that in this case, however, admission is not prohibited if the child is accompanied by and in the charge of a person who is more than

16 years and under.

- (g) No person under the age of 16 years shall be admitted to a public cinematographic exhibition when the film to be exhibited has been designated as unsuitable by the British or American Film Censorship Authorities for viewing by children aged 16 years and under.
- (h) All persons conducting cinematographic exhibitions shall provide such suitable sanitary facilities for persons attending such exhibitions as may be required by the Health Officer acting on behalf of the Board.
- (i) The Chief of Police or the Health Officer from time to time shall visit any premises where public cinematographic exhibitions are licensed to be held and shall inspect all precautions against fire and all facilities for sanitation and shall report them to the Authority. If the Authority is of the opinion that such precautions against fire or such sanitary facilities are not adequate the Authority shall call upon the licensee to remedy such defects within four weeks: and if at the end of such period no steps have been taken to remedy such deficiencies the Authority may, unless satisfied that such delay has not arisen through the wilful act or default of the licensee, revoke his licence to conduct cinematographic exhibitions for such time as the Authority may deem fit.
- (j) The Authority shall meet quarterly on the first TUESDAY of each quarter, or at such other times or frequency as the Administrator may direct.
- (k) The quorum of any such meeting shall be not less than two (2) elected members of the Legislature and either the Administrator or the Education Officer who will be nominated annually by the Administrator under Section 2 of this Law.
- (l) Every Cinema containing a balcony shall be provided with good and substantial stairs leading up to such balcony, and hand rails to these stairs shall be provided for the security of persons using the stairs. Stairs should be sufficiently wide to permit persons ascending and descending to pass without difficulty.
- (m) A central aisle shall be provided in the auditorium and an aisle on each side and the same requirements shall obtain if there is an upstairs balcony. The width of such aisle shall be not less than four (4) feet. Not less than two exits shall be provided where a ground floor auditorium is provided and not less than one in the case of an upstairs balcony. The exits provided in a downstairs auditorium shall be sited as follows: One at the screen end and the other at the projection end of the auditorium.
- (n) Not less than two fire extinguishers in good and efficient

working condition shall be kept on each floor of the auditorium, and the cinema staff shall be trained in their use. Beside each fire extinguisher shall be placed an axe and four buckets, two containing sand and two containing water. Notwithstanding the above precautions, cinema owners shall fulfill such other requirements as may be prescribed by the Firemaster of the Cayman Islands acting on behalf of the Authority.

Made by the Authority with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly this 8th day of September, 1964.

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