



BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

## **SEXUAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUE STANDARD LICENCE CONDITIONS**

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982 CONTROL OF SEX ESTABLISHMENTS as amended by POLICING AND CRIME ACT 2009**

#### **A. MANAGEMENT OF THE PREMISES**

1. The licensee, or some responsible person nominated by them and approved in writing by the licensing authority for the purpose of managing the sex establishment ('the manager') shall have personal responsibility for and be present on the premises at all times when the premises are open to the public.
2. Where the licensee is a body corporate or an unincorporated body, any change of director, company secretary or other person responsible for the management of the body shall be notified in writing to the licensing authority within 14 days of such change and such details as the licensing authority may require in respect of the change of personnel shall be furnished within 14 days of a request in writing from the licensing authority.
3. A copy of the licence and any conditions attached shall at all times be displayed in a conspicuous position on the premises, so as to be available for inspection by the police, the fire authority and authorised officers of the licensing authority.
4. The name of the person responsible for the management of the sex establishment, whether the licensee or manager, shall be displayed in a conspicuous position within the premises throughout the period he/she is responsible for conduct of the premises. A register shall be maintained by the licensee recording the name and address of any person who is responsible for managing the establishment in his/her absence and the respective dates.
5. The licensee shall retain control over all parts of the premises and shall not let, licence or part with possession of any part.
6. The licensee shall ensure that the public are not admitted to any part of the premises that has not been licensed.
7. No person under the age of 21 years shall be admitted to the premises and a Notice to this effect, in accordance with condition 19, shall be displayed on the outside of the premises.

8. Neither the licensee nor any employee or agent shall solicit custom for the sex establishment outside or in the vicinity of the sex establishment.
9. The licensee shall ensure that during the hours that the premises are open for business every employee wears a badge of a type approved by the licensing authority indicating their name and that they are employed by the establishment.

**B. OPENING OF THE PREMISES**

10. The premises shall not, without the written consent of the licensing authority, be opened and used for the purposes for which the licence is granted except during the following hours:

Monday to Friday inclusive	(Xam to Xpm)
Saturday	(Xam to Xpm)
Sunday	(Xam to Xpm)

11. The premises shall not be opened and used for the purposes for which the licence is granted on Christmas Day, Boxing Day or Good Friday.

**C. CONDUCT OF THE PREMISES**

12. All printed matter offered for sale, hire, exchange or loan within a sex establishment shall be available for inspection prior to purchase and a Notice to this effect shall be displayed in a conspicuous position within the premises.
13. No sex articles or other things intended for use in connection with, or for the purpose of stimulating or encouraging sexual activity or acts of force or restraint which are associated with sexual activity shall be displayed, sold, hired, exchanged, loaned or demonstrated in a Sexual Entertainment Venue.
14. A code of conduct for dancers will be operated subject to approval by the Licensing Authority and Bedfordshire Police.
15. A code of conduct for customers will be operated subject to approval by the Licensing Authority and Bedfordshire Police.
16. Dancers will perform on a stage area only.

There will be a defined segregation area between the audience and performers.

No dancer will perform a 'private dance' to customer(s) who are standing up.

No photography is allowed in the premises (other than in connection with the operation of the CCTV security system for that purpose only) during the hours the premises is open to the public.

There will be no audience participation in dancers' performances.

Sex articles will not be used as props during performances by dancers.

17. There will be no contact between performers and the audience. This also applies when the 'performance' has taken place and the dancers are 'off duty' in the premises.

There will be a 1 metre gap between the performer and any member of the audience.

Access to dressing rooms must be directly off the stage. Performers must not pass through the audience to access dressing rooms.

Performers must re-dress immediately and not enter the audience area in a state of undress.

There will be no 'private' booths in the venues.

#### **D. EXTERNAL APPEARANCE**

18. The holder of a sex establishment licence may exhibit on the outside of the premise the name of the business and a notice, capable of being enclosed by a rectangle less than one square metre in area, consisting of the words 'Licensed by Bedford Borough Council as a Sexual Entertainment Venue'.

19. The holder of a sex establishment licence shall exhibit on the outside of the premises a notice capable of being enclosed by a rectangle less than one square metre in area, the times of opening and the words 'No person under the age of 21 years shall be admitted to the premises'.

The shop fascia may bear the trading name. No other words are permitted on the shop fascia.

The notices mentioned above, with conditions 18 and 19, shall be affixed to the door of the premises and shall not be displayed in or on the shop window.

20. No other signs or words, or any displays or advertisements, shall be displayed on the outside of the premises or in the vicinity of the premises, except those mentioned in Conditions 18 and 19.

Sex aids, toys, magazines, bondage or fetish equipment or clothing shall not be displayed in the shop window.

21. The backdrop to the windows and openings of the premises shall be of a material or covered with a material that will render the interior of the premises invisible to passers-by.

#### **E. STATE, CONDITION AND LAYOUT OF THE PREMISES**

22. External doors shall be closed at all times other than when persons are entering or leaving the premises. The external doors shall be fitted with a

device to provide for their automatic closure and such devices shall be maintained in good working order.

23. The premises shall be fitted with an inner entrance door or screen so that no part of the interior of the premises shall be visible when persons are entering or leaving the premises.