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PART I

*Introductory*

1. (i) These rules may be cited as the Punjab Title Cinemas (Regulation) Rules, 1952,  
(ii) They shall come into force on the first day of November, 1952.
2. In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant Definition in the context,
  - (i) the 'Act' means the Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Act, 1952;
  - (ii) 'auditorium' means that portion of the building occupied by the audience or spectators during a cinematograph exhibition;
  - (iii) 'Electric Inspector' means an inspector appointed by the <sup>2</sup>Haryana Government under section 36 of the Electricity Act, 1910;
  - (iv) 'enclosure' means that portion of a place licensed under section 5 of the Act in which the cinematograph apparatus is erected;
  - (v) 'Executive Engineer' in relation to the licensing of any place for cinematograph exhibitions, means the officer Holding of charge that division of the Public Works Department (Building and Roads Branch) in which the place is situated;
  - (vi) 'exit' includes an emergency exit and any entrance useable by the public as an exit;

1. Published vide Punjab Government Notification No. 8279-H-52/12053, dated the 14th October, 1952.

2. Substituted vide Haryana Government Notification No. GSR 54/PA/II/52/S.9 /Amd (2)/169 dated 24-3-69.



(vii) 'fire-resisting material' means—

- (a) burnt brickwork, cement concrete and reinforced brickwork or cement concrete having a minimum cover of one inch;
- (b) terra cotta blocks securely bonded, provided that no side or web thereof is less than one and a half inches in thickness;
- (c) Stone, tiles, solid gypsum blocks, marble, iron, steel copper asbestos or zinc; or
- (d) such other material as the Executive Engineer may approve;

(viii) 'Government' means the Government of the State of <sup>1</sup>Haryana;

(ix) 'touring cinematograph' means a cinematograph apparatus which is so adopted and constructed so that it can be taken from place to place for the purpose of giving cinematograph exhibitions;

(x) 'touring cinematograph of the safety class' means a touring cinematograph in which an incandescent lamp is used for the projector;

(xi) 'Adult' means a person who has completed his eighteenth year.

## PART II

### *Procedure in granting Licences*

3.(i) Licences granted under section 5 of the Act shall be either<sup>2</sup> (for a period of three years) or temporary.

(ii) <sup>2</sup>(A three years) licence shall only be granted subject to the provisions of section 5 of the Act and in accordance with the provisions of the rules in Part III in respect of a building permanently equipped for cinematograph exhibitions. It shall be valid for <sup>2</sup>(three years) from the date of issue and shall be renewable on the application of the licensee.

<sup>3</sup>"An application for the inspection referred to in the proviso the sub-rule (ii) of rule 3 shall be made by the licensee at least one month before the date of inspection becomes due, after depositing the prescribed fee in a Government Treasury."

1. Substituted vide Haryana Government Notification No. G.S.R. 54/PA/11/52/S.9/Amd. (2)/69 dated 24-3-69.

2. Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. 10507-H-61/45348, dated the 28th November, 1961.

3. Added by Punjab Government Notification No. GSR 86/P.A./11/52/S.9/Amd, (1)/64 dated 17-1-1964.



3 (iii) <sup>2</sup>A temporary licence may be granted in any town or village for exhibition by means of a touring cinematograph for an aggregate period not exceeding six months in one calendar year; provided that for a town or village with a population of more than five thousands according to the latest official census, the aggregate period may be extended by another six months in the same calendar year.

Provided further that in calculating the aggregate period in respect of any town or village the period for which licence to the same or other touring cinematograph has been granted within five miles of the outer limits of such town or village shall be taken into account.

3 (iv)—No licence to a touring cinematograph shall be granted for a place where there is a permanent cinema;

Provided that such a licence may be granted for such a place for a period not exceeding in the aggregate three months, on special occasions such as fair and religious gatherings or to meet a particular temporary need.

*Explanation.*—For the purpose of this sub-rule the expression "place" shall mean the area within two miles of the territorial limits of the village or town in which a permanent cinema is situated.

In case where it is proposed to instal a touring cinematograph in a building, the provisions of the rules, in part III of the Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Rules, 1952, should be strictly complied with by the licensees.

4. Licences, whether <sup>1</sup>(for a period of three years) or temporary, shall be in form A annexed to these Rules and shall be subject to the conditions and restrictions set forth therein and to the provisions of these rules.

5. (i) Every application for the grant or renewal of a licence shall be in writing and shall be signed by the applicant.

(ii) Applications for the grant as distinct from the renewal of (a three years) licence shall be accompanied by—

(a) full particulars regarding the ownership of, and all rights in, the premises and in the cinema to graph apparatus to be used therein;

(b) complete plans, elevations and sections in duplicate, of the premises and all erections or buildings thereon drawn correctly to the scale of one-eighth of an inch to one foot and showing the width of all stairways and the number of steps in each, the width of corridors, gangways and door.

1. Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. 10507—H—61/45348, dated the 28th November, 1961.

2. Substituted by Haryana Government Notification No. GSR 54/PA—11/52—59 amendment (2)/ 169 dated 24.3.69.



ways, the light of the cinematograph and of the plant for the generation or conversion of electrical energy;

- (c) a site plan in duplicate on a separate sheet drawn to the scale of one-fortieth of an inch to one foot showing the position of the premises in relation to any adjacent premises and to the public thoroughfares upon which the site of the premises abuts, and the arrangements proposed for the parking of motor cars and other vehicles;
- (d) specifications of the various materials proposed to be used in the construction of the building.
- (iii) The cardinal points of the compass shall be shown on the plans and the plans shall be so coloured as to distinguish the materials used in the construction of the buildings.
- (iv) Applications under sub-rule (ii) of this rule <sup>4</sup>shall subject to the condition mentioned in rule 31 A, be submitted to the licensing authority before any alterations necessary for the adaptation of the premises for cinematograph exhibition are taken in hand, or, in the case of a new building, before its construction is begun.

<sup>4</sup>[The work shall not be commenced unless the Executive Engineer certifies that the proposed construction, addition or alteration of the premises is in accordance with these rules and the building bye-laws of a local authority, if any].

- (v) The licensing authority may require an applicant for a temporary licence to furnish such plans of the premises and such specifications as he may consider necessary.

6. An application for the renewal of <sup>2</sup>[a three year's] licence shall be made at least <sup>3</sup>[three months] before the date of the expiry of the old licence:

Provided that if the application for renewal is made after the prescribed date the licensing authority may nevertheless renew the licence on payment of the fee chargeable for a new licence.

7. (i) If on an application for renewal of a licence the licensing authority does not for any reason, before the date of the expiry of the licence, either renew and return the licence or refuse to renew the same, he may grant a temporary permit in Form B annexed to these rules.

(ii) Such temporary permit shall be subject to the conditions of the licence sought to be renewed and shall be valid for such period not exceeding two months as the licensing authority may direct:

1. Added by Punjab Government Notification No. 4335-H-53-36054, dated the 1st June, 1953.

2. Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. 10507/-H-61/45348, the 28th November, 1961.

3. Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 102/PA-11/52/S-9/Amd.(1)/53, dated the 22nd April, 1963.

4. Substituted vide Haryana Govt. Notification No. G.S.R. 52/PA11/52/59/Amd.(1)/81 dated 30-3-81.



Provided that the temporary permit shall cease to be valid and shall be surrendered to the licensing authority on the applicant receiving his licence duly renewed, or on his receiving an order refusing to renew the licence.

(iii) The temporary permit shall during the period of its validity be deemed to be a licence for the purposes of these rules.

(iv) A fee of ten rupees shall be levied for the grant of such temporary permit, provided that if in the opinion of the licensing authority the grant of this permit has not been necessitated by the negligence of the licensee, the fee or a portion of it may be remitted.

8. (i) The licensee shall be responsible for compliance with the provisions of these rules and with the conditions of his licence, for the maintenance of the licensed premises at all times and in all respects in conformity with the standards prescribed by these rules, and for taking all necessary measures, before any cinematograph exhibition is commenced, to ensure the safety of the public and his employees against fire and other accidents.

(ii) The licensee or some responsible person nominated by him in writing for the purpose shall be in general charge of the licensed premises and cinematograph during the whole time that any exhibition is in progress.

#### *Inspections*

9. (i) Before granting or renewing <sup>1</sup>[a three years'] licence <sup>2</sup>[the licensing authority shall within a period of seven days of the receipt of the application of the licensee],

(a) call upon the Executive Engineer to examine the structural features of the building and report <sup>3</sup>[within a period of one month] whether the rules relating thereto have been duly complied with ;

(b) call upon the Electric Inspector to examine the cinematograph and the electrical equipment to be used in the building and to report <sup>4</sup>[within a period of one month] whether they comply with the requirements both of these rules and of the Indian Electricity Act, 1910, and of such of the rules made thereunder as are applicable whether all reasonable precautions have been taken to protect spectators and employees from electric shock and to prevent the introduction of fire into building through the use of the electrical equipment, and whether the prescribed fire-extinguishing appliances have been provided, are in working order and are suitable for the purpose for which they are intended.

<sup>1</sup>Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. 10507-H-61/45348, dated the 28th November, 1961.

<sup>2</sup>Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 102/PA.—1152/S-9/Amd (1)/63, dated the 22nd April, 1963.

<sup>3</sup>Substituted by *ibid.*

<sup>4</sup>Substituted by *ibid.*



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(ii) Defects revealed by such inspections shall be brought to the notice of the applicant or licensee and of the licensing authority, who may refuse to grant or renew the licence unless and until they are remedied to his satisfaction.

10. The licensing authority or any officer authorised by him <sup>1</sup> in writing in this behalf may at any time enter a place which he has reason to believe is being used or is intended to be used for the purpose of cinematograph exhibitions in order to satisfy himself that all the provisions of the Act, the rules framed thereunder and the conditions of licence are being complied with.

11. (i) The Electric Inspector or any officer specially appointed to assist him in this behalf may at any time enter and inspect any place licensed under section 5 of the Act.

(ii) Defects revealed by such inspections shall be brought to the notice of the licensee and shall also be reported to the licensing authority.

12. (i) The licensing authority may, if he considers necessary by general or special order, authorise a medical officer to inspect the sanitary condition of any of the places which have been licensed by him under section 5 of the Act and such officer may visit all parts of the premises for purpose of inspection at any time.

(ii) Defects revealed by such inspections shall be brought to the notice of the licensee and also be reported to the licensing authority.

13. The licence and the plan and description, if any, attached thereto shall be produced on demand by the licensing authority or by any officer authorised by him or by these rules to enter a place licensed under section 5 of the Act.

#### *Alteration and Repairs*

14. (i) No addition to or alteration of any portion of any premises licensed under section 5 of the Act, necessitated by fire, any other calamity or any other cause shall be made without the sanction of the licensing authority.

(ii) The licensee shall give notice in writing to the licensing authority of his intention to make any such addition or alteration, and such notice shall be accompanied by complete plans, elevations and sections, and specifications of the work proposed to be executed, drawn up in duplicate in the manner prescribed in rule 5, provided that in the case of premises for which a temporary licence has been granted such plans and specifications shall be furnished as the licensing authority may consider necessary.

(iii) The work shall not be commenced until the consent of the licensing authority has been obtained, and the licensing authority shall

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<sup>1</sup> Inserted vide Haryana Govt.  
Notification No. GSR. 56/P.A, 11/52/59/Amd.72 dated 14-3-72.



not give his consent unless the Executive Engineer certifies that the proposed addition or alteration is in accordance with these rules.

(iv) No addition to or alteration of any part of the cinematograph and its appurtenances or of the lighting or other electric arrangements shall be made without the sanction of the licensing authority.

The licensee shall give notice in writing to the licensing authority of his intention to make any such addition or alteration, and the licensing authority shall not give sanction thereto unless the Electric Inspector or an officer deputed by him certifies that the addition or alteration is in accordance with the provision of these rules.

15. Notice in writing shall be given to the licensing authority of intention to carry out repairs or re-decorations necessitating the use of scaffolding, cradles or plant giving full details of the position thereof, if it is intended that the public shall be admitted while such scaffolding, cradles or plant are in position or in use. If the licensing authority shall so require, the premises shall be closed to the public until the work has been completed and the scaffolding, cradles and plant removed.

#### *Fees*

16. (i) The fees shown in the Schedule to these rules shall be charged for the grant and renewal of licences and for inspections. <sup>1</sup>(These fees shall be deposited in a Government treasury before applying for the grant and renewal of licences and for inspections).

#### SCHEDULE

##### TABLE OF FEES

(See Rule 16)

1— <sup>2</sup> For the grant of a three years' licence	.. 1,350 rupees
2—For renewal of a three years' licence	.. 900 rupees
3—For a temporary licence for each week or part of a week.	.. 15 rupees

Provided that in the case of commercial firms, concerns and institutions, for exhibiting films to propagate sale of their products, a fee of 150 rupees per week or 30 rupees per day, as the case may be shall be charged.

4. For the grant of a duplicate of a three years' licence. —30 rupees.

5. <sup>3</sup>For an inspection by the Executive Engineer for the grant or renewal of a licence;

1. Added by Punjab Government Notification No. 2408 (S) H-56/20243 dated the 27th March, 1956. 2294 (C)

2. Substituted by Haryana Govt. Notification No. GSR 50 P.A., 11/52/S-9/Amd. (2) dated 8.4.1969.

3. Substituted by Haryana Govt. Notification No. GSR 92/PA. 11/52/S-9/Amd.(1) Dt. 21.8.78.



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| (i) for the first inspection                              | 100 rupees; and   |
| (ii) for any subsequent inspection that may be necessary. | such sum not exceeding 200 rupees as the licensing authority may determine. |
6. For an inspection by the Electric Inspector for the grant or renewal of a three years licence;
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| (i) for the first inspection;                             | 100 rupees; and   |
| (ii) for any subsequent inspection that may be necessary. | such sum not exceeding 200 rupees as the licensing authority may determine. |
7. For an inspection by the Electric Inspector of a touring cinematograph;
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| (i) for the first inspection;  | 60 rupees  |
| (ii) for any subsequent inspection that may be necessary;                        | such sum not exceeding 60 rupees as the licensing authority may determine; and |
| (iii) for supplying duplicate copies of fitness certificates to touring talkies. | 4 rupees.  |
8. For an inspection made by the Executive Engineer or the Electric Inspector during the currency of a licence under the written order of the licensing authority.
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| such sum not exceeding 200 rupees as the licensing authority may determine. |
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- 1“(2) An application for the annual inspection referred to in the proviso the sub-rule (ii) of rule 3 shall be made by the licensee at least one month before the date of inspection becomes due, after depositing the prescribed fee in a Government Treasury.”

Provided that in the case of a three year's licence the place licensed under the Act shall be inspected annually by the executive Engineer as well as by the Electrical Inspector to Government, Punjab on the payment of the fees as prescribed in the Schedule to Rule 16”

1. Added by Punjab Government Notification No. GSR, 26 P.A. 11/52/S-9 Amd (1) 64 dated 17.1.1964.



<sup>1</sup>Explanation:—For the purpose of sub-rule (2) the expression the date the inspection becomes due<sup>2</sup> shall mean.

- (a) in relation to the first annual inspection, the date next after the expiry of one year; and
- (b) In relation to the second annual inspection, the date next after the expiry of two years.
- (c) The grant or renewal of a licence, as the case may be.

### PART III

*Rules regarding buildings licensed (for a period of three years) for cinematograph exhibitions.*

17. In this part the term "the building" means a building in respect of which<sup>2</sup> (a three years') licence has been or may be granted as provided in rule 18.

18. (i) <sup>2</sup>(A three years') licence shall only be granted or renewed in respect of a building which as regards its location, structure fittings, electrical and other equipment complies with the provisions of the rules in this part.

(ii) Notwithstanding anything in the preceding sub-rule <sup>2</sup>(a three years') licence may be granted or renewed for such period as Government may determine in any particular building already licensed for cinematograph exhibition on 1st November, 1941, relaxing the provisions of rules 19 (j), 22, 26 (i), 27, 28 (iii), (iv) and (v), 31 (ii) and (iii), 36 (j), 37 and 48 to such extent and subject to such condition as it deems necessary.

19. Site—(j) The building

"(a) <sup>3</sup>shall not be within a radius of—

- (i) 75 meters from a place of worship, a cremation ground, a graveyard, a cemetery ; or
- (ii) 200 meters from a recognised educational institution such as a college, a high school or girls school or any residential institution attached to such educational institutions ; or
- (ii) 75 meters from a public hospital with a large patient ward; or
- (iv) 75 meters from an orphanage containing one hundred or more inmates ; or

1. Added by Haryana Government, Notification No. GSR12/PA-11/52/S-9/ Amd (i) 67, dated 17.3.67.

2. Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. 10507-H-61, 145348, dated the 28th November, 1961.

3. Substituted by Haryana Govt, Notification No. GSR 14/PA.9/52/S-9/Amd./70, Dt. 4.2.70



- (v) 75 meters from a thickly populated residential area which is either exclusively residential or reserved or used generally for residential as distinguished from business purposes.

*Note.*—The distance shall be measured from the exit of the auditorium of the cinema building to the entrance of any such place or institution."

- (b) shall no way offend against traffic laws, and either (c) shall be detached building :

Provided that the minimum distance it stands apart from other buildings shall not be less than 20 feet, and the surrounding space shall be unobstructed and shall be such as will enable the persons who are to be accommodated to disperse rapidly in the event of fire or panic and as will permit of the approach of fire-engines and fire appliances :

Propided further that in the case of the building which accommodates more than one thousand persons the distance it stands apart from othe buildings shall be such as the licensing authority may require by special order in writing.

or (d) shall abut upon and have frontage of adequate length to two or more public ways or open spaces from which there are at all times free means of exit, The public ways or open spaces shall be of such width as will enable the persons who are to be accommodated to disperse rapidly in the event of fire and as will permit of the approach of fire engines and fire appliances :

Provided that one of them shall have a clear width of at least 35 feet including footpaths and shall be a through road :

Provided further that in the case of buildings which accommodate more than one thousand persons, the public ways or open spaces shall be of such width and the frontage thereto of such length as the licensing authority may require by special order in writing.

(ii) The frontages shall be considered of adequate length if they form about half of the total boundaries of the site of the building excluding recesses and projections :

Provided that if they are less than half, a licence shall not be granted without the previous sanction of Government.

(iii) The building shall not be constructed underneath or on top of any part of any other building without the special consent in writing of the licensing authority.

20. No portion of the building shall be occupied or used as a factory, workshop or for storage purposes or as a hotel or for residential purposes or for the preparation or sale of food or drink, except as the licensing authority may by written order permit.



21. *External Walls* :—(i) The building shall have external or party walls of brick, mud, stone, corrugated iron or concrete.

(ii) Where the building is in close proximity to another building, it shall be separated there from by walls and structures of fire-resisting materials in a manner to be approved by the licensing authority and no openings in the walls or in any part of the building such as may be liable to communicate fire shall overlook the neighbouring building.

(iii) Any opening in the building overlooking an adjacent site upon which an inflammable structure is erected or upon which inflammable material is stored shall be protected to the satisfaction of the licensing authority.

22. *Structural Requirements* :—(i) All floors, galleries, tiers, posts columns joints, trusses stairways and landings in the building shall be of fire-resisting material.

(ii) Partition shall be made of fire-resisting material or of wood not less than 1½" thick and certified by the Executive Engineer to be hard wood.

<sup>1</sup>[(iii) The building shall have a roof. All ceilings and panelling shall be made of fire-resisting material or from compressed or synthetic material treated against flaming which has been certified by the Executive Engineer to be suitable for the purpose intended].

(iv) All floors including galleries, landings and corridors with their supports shall be capable of supporting a static load of one hundred pounds per square foot and, as in alternative loading, every step or landing shall be strong enough to support a point load of three hundred pounds placed in any position.

(v) Where the first tier or gallery extends over the stalls, the height between the floor of the stalls and such tier or gallery shall not in any part be less than 10 feet; the height between the floor of the highest part of the gallery and the lowest part of the ceiling over the same shall not in any part be less than 12 feet the height between any tier and the tier or ceiling above it shall, in no case, be less than 8 feet.

23. *Drainage* :—(i) The building and the compound, if any, shall be adequately drained to the satisfaction of the licensing authority.

(ii) Except with the written consent of the licensing authority, the lowest floor of the building shall not be constructed at a lower level than that at which it can be effectively drained by gravity.

24. *Accommodation* :—(i) The total number of spectators accommodated in the building shall not exceed 20 per hundred square

<sup>1</sup>Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. 8124(C)-H-55/25232, dated the 16th September, 1955.



X feet of the area available for sitting and standing or 20 per 133½ square feet of the overall area of the floor space in the auditorium.

(ii) A notice showing the number of spectators permitted by the conditions of the licence to be admitted to any one part of the building shall be exhibited at a prominent place either at the entrance of the building or in the auditorium.

25. *Seating* :—(i) The seating in the building shall be arranged so that there is free access to exits.

(ii) The space assigned for each person shall not be less than 2'-4" deep where backs are Provided and not less than 2' deep where backs are not provided and not less than 1'-8" wide where arms are provided and 1'-6" where arms are not provided.

<sup>1</sup>*Explanation* :—1. The seats in each alternate row shall be staggered in a manner that the line of vision is not obstructed and that the angle of vision does not exceed 35°.

*Explanation* :—2. The slope of the floor of the auditorium shall have average gradient of 1" in 18" except in case of cinemas built before 1st February, 1958.

*Explanation* :—3. In the case of cinemas with dual inclined slopes in the floors of the auditorium, the rear slope shall be 1" in 18" while the front incline shall be 1' in 24".

(iii) The rows of seats shall be so arranged that there is a clear space of not less than 12" between the back of one seat and the foremost portion of the seat arm or frame behind, measured between perpendiculars.

(iv) All seats, except those in private boxes, shall be securely fixed to the floor, and if battened together or made in links, the complete link shall be firmly attached to the floor.

(v) <sup>2</sup>[The minimum distance between the cinematograph screen and the front row of seats shall be :

(i) equal to the width of the screen subject to a minimum of 25 feet in case of cinemas equipped with screens upto 30 feet wide ; and

(ii) equal to 3/4th of the width of the screen subject to a minimum of 30 feet in case of cinemas fitted with screens exceeding 30 feet in width.

*Note.*—The space between the screen and the front row of seats shall be left vacant according to the width of the screen installed irrespective of the consideration whether the whole or only a part of the screen is made use of.]

<sup>1</sup>Substituted vide Haryana Govt. Notification No. G.S.R.-56/P. A./11/52/59/ Amd./72 dated 24-3-72.

<sup>2</sup>Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. 10763(C)-H-55/34183, dated the 21st December, 1955.



(vi) <sup>1</sup>[the lower edge of the picture as projected on the cinematograph screen shall be at a height varying from 5' 6" to 7' above the level of the floor of the auditorium at the front row of seats depending upon the length of the auditorium].

(vii) <sup>2</sup>[(a) Every row of seats in the auditorium shall be assigned a specific distinguishing mark such as 'A', 'B', 'C' and so on and every seat in each row shall be serially numbered. The serial number shall be inscribed at a prominent place on the seat in such a manner that the seat can be easily located.

(b) The Licensee shall ensure that on every ticket which any booking clerk issues for any cinematograph exhibition a separate seat number is marked.

The purchaser of the ticket shall be entitled to occupy the seat bearing the serial number marked on the ticket. The serial number of the seat shall be marked on that portion of the ticket which is to be retained by the purchaser so that it can be produced for inspection in case of any doubt or on demand.

"25-A. (1) The licensee or his agent shall not sell to a purchaser more than eight tickets for the same show.

(2) In addition to the opening of the booking office for the sale of tickets at least half an hour before the start of each show, the licensee shall make adequate arrangements for advance booking of seats in the auditorium for all shows and for that purpose keep the booking office open from 10.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M. and again from 4.00 P.M. to 5.30 P.M. daily.

*Explanation:—*For the purposes of this rule, the expression 'show' means cinematograph exhibition."

26. *Gangway.*—(i) Gangways not less than 44 inches wide shall be provided in the building as follows :—

- (a) Down each side of the auditorium.
- (b) Down the centre of the seating accommodation at intervals of not more than 25 feet.
- (c) Parallel to the line of the seating so as to provide direct access to exits : provided that not more than one gangway for every 10 rows shall be required.

(ii) All gangways, exits and the treads of steps and stairways shall be maintained with non-slippery surfaces.

(iii) Druggets, matting and floor covering, if provided in gangways, shall be securely fastened to the floors.

(iv) The exits and the gangways, and passages leading to exits shall be kept clear of all obstructions other than rope barriers provided in accordance with sub-rule (vi). On no account shall extra seats be placed

<sup>1</sup>Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. 1672(C)-H-58/5282, dated 1<sup>st</sup> February, 1958.

<sup>2</sup>Added by Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R.-140/P.A.-11/52/S-9/Amd dated the 1<sup>st</sup> June, 1963.

<sup>3</sup>Added by Haryana Government, Notification No. G.S.R.-22/P.A.-11/52/S-9/Amd dated 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 1967.



in the gangways or spectators be allowed to stand in the gangways at the time of performances in such a way as to block or effectively reduce their width.

(v) If steps have to be inserted in a gangway or passages there shall be not less than 3 steps at any one place. The treads shall not be less than 15" wide and shall be of uniform width and height.

(vi) Rope barriers in gangways or elsewhere shall be fitted with clips or fastenings which will part in the centre on slight pressure and shall not trail on the floor.

(vii) Guards rails not less than 3 feet 6 inches above floor level shall be provided on the parapet at the foot of gangways in galleries where the incline of the gangway exceeds 15 degrees.

27. *Stairways*:—(i) There shall be at least 2 stairways each not less than 4 feet wide to provide access to any gallery or upper floor in the building which is intended for use by the public.

(ii) The treads and risers on each flight of stairs shall be of uniform width and height. The treads shall not be less than 11 inches wide and the risers shall not be more than 7 inches high.

(iii) There shall be no winders.

(iv) A continuous hand rail shall be fitted to each side of stairways.

(v) No stairways shall discharge into a passage or corridor against or across the direction of exit.

✓ 28. *Exits*:—(i) Every public portion of the building shall be provided with an adequate number of clearly indicated exits placed in such positions and so maintained as to afford the audience ample means of safe and speedy egress.

(ii) In the auditorium there shall be at least one exit from every tier, floor or gallery for every 100 persons accommodated or part thereof :

Provided that from every upper floor or gallery there shall be not less than two exits :

Provided further that an exit on or by way of a stage or platform shall not be reckoned as one of the exits required by this rule.

(iii) Every exit from the auditorium shall provide a clear opening space of not less than 7 feet high and 5 feet wide.

(iv) Exits from the auditorium shall be suitably spaced along with both sides and along the back thereof, and shall deliver into two or more different thorough fares or open spaces from which there are at all times free means of rapid dispersal.

(v) Every passage or corridor leading from an exist in the auditorium to a final space of exit from the building shall be of such width as will, in the opinion of the licensing authority, enable the persons who are likely to use it in an emergency to leave the building without danger of crowding or congestion. At no point shall any such passage or corridor be less than 5 feet wide, and it shall not diminish in width in the direction of the final place of exit.



(vi) The combined width of the final places of exits from the building shall be such that there are at least 5 feet of exit width for every 100 persons that can be accommodated in the building.

(vii) All exit doors shall open outwards and shall be so fitted that when opened they do not obstruct any gangway, passage, corridor, stairway or landing.

(viii) All exit doors and doors through which the public have to pass on the way to the open air shall be available for exit during the whole time that the public are in the building and during such time shall not be locked or bolted.

(ix) All exits from the auditorium and all doors or openings (other than the main entrance) intended for egress from the building shall be clearly indicated by the word "EXIT", in block letters, which shall not be less than seven inches high and shall be so displayed as to be clearly visible in the light as well as in the dark.

(x) All other doors or openings shall be so constructed as to be clearly distinguishable from exits. They may be indicated by the words "No throughfare" arranged as illustrated in figure below, but notices bearing the words "No Exit" shall not be used in any part of the building.

#### NO THROUGHFARE

29. *Payboxes, Check boxes, etc.*—Pay boxes, check boxes and attendants seats shall be fixed in such positions in the building that they will not obstruct means of exit and any mirror, pictures, notices for advertisements shall be attached to or hung upon the walls in position in which they will not be likely to cause obstruction to exits and shall be fixed flat against the wall or kept clear of the headline, i.e., 7 feet above the floor.

30. *Cloak room accommodation.*—(i) Provision shall not be made in the corridors, passages and stairways of the building for hanging hats and cloaks.

(ii) Where cloak rooms are provided they shall be so situated that the persons using them will not interfere with the free use of any exit.

31. *Ventilation.*—(i) The building shall be provided with efficient means of ventilation direct to the open air.

(ii) Unless the auditorium is air-conditioned the means of ventilation shall take the form of natural ventilation and power-driven exhaust fans suitably located and of adequate size for the purposes intended.

(iii) Where natural ventilation is provided by windows or skylights which have to be darkened or obscured, free permanent top ventilation shall be arranged by means of ridge or ceiling ventilators. The clear opening of such ventilators shall not be less than 1 square foot for every 10 persons that can be accommodated.

<sup>2</sup>(iv) There shall be a time gap of not less than twenty minutes between two cinematograph shows. The duration of an interval in a



42. No person other than a qualified operator employed by the licensee and holding a certificate granted by the Electric Inspector or an apprentice duly authorised by the licensee under rule 89 shall be allowed to enter or be in the enclosure while an exhibition is in progress.

43. Where a manager or a proprietor holds an operator's certificate, a second qualified operator must be engaged who shall remain on duty in the enclosure during the whole period of exhibition.

44. No inflammable article shall unnecessarily be taken into or allowed to remain in the enclosure, no smoking shall at any time be permitted within the enclosure, and no naked light shall be used therein.

#### PROJECTOR, APPARATUS AND FILMS

45. Cinematograph Projectors shall be placed on firm supports constructed of fire-resisting material and shall be provided with a metal shutter which can be readily inserted between the source of light and the film gate. This shutter shall immediately be dropped in the event of an accident to the cinematograph apparatus or stoppage of the film and shall only be raised when the film is in motion for the purpose of projection.

46. The film-gate shall be of massive construction, and shall be provided with ample heat-radiating surface. The passage for the film shall be sufficiently narrow to prevent flame travelling upwards or downwards from the light opening.

47. Cinematograph Projectors shall be fitted with two metal film-boxes of substantial construction, to and from which the films shall be made to travel. The film boxes shall be made to close in such a manner, and shall be fitted with film-slots so constructed as to prevent the passage of flame into the interior of the box.

48. Film spools shall be driven by means of chains, gears or belts of fire-resisting material and films shall be wound thereon so that the wound film shall not at any time reach or project beyond the edges of the flanges of the film spool.

49. The rewinding of films shall not be carried on in the enclosure while an exhibition is in progress.

50. During an exhibition all films when not in use shall be kept in closed metal boxes.

51. Not more than 200 lb. of <sup>1</sup>[inflammable] Cinematograph film shall be stored in the premises to which this licence relates, unless a specific licence has been obtained from the Chief Inspector of Explosives in India as required by the Cinematograph Film Rules, 1948.

#### WINDING ROOM

52. (i) A separate room shall be provided for the rewinding of films which shall be constructed throughout of fire-resisting materials.

(ii) All fittings and fixtures in the winding room shall be constructed

1. Inserted by Punjab Government Notification No. 12844(C)/10055(s)-H-572503 dated the 2nd November, 1957.



of fire-resisting materials and the entrance shall be provided with self-closing close-fitting door and shall not communicate directly with the enclosure, the auditorium or any part of the building to which the public are admitted.

#### LIGHTING AND ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

53. No illuminant other than electric light shall be used in the building.

54. (i) Provision shall be made for adequate illumination of the auditorium and the exits therefrom to the outside of the building including any passages, corridors, landings and stairways, the notices indicating the position of exits, and all parts of the building to which the public are admitted.

(ii) During the whole time the public are present in the building the lighting for purposes other than the illumination of the auditorium shall be in operation sufficiently to enable the public to see clearly the way out.

55. The auditorium shall be provided with two independent lighting circuits taken from two different and independent sources of supply in the building or place licensed for exhibition. One circuit (hereinafter referred to as the general lighting circuit) which must not enter the enclosure, may, include all exit signs and the lighting of all parts of the building to which the public are admitted and shall be connected to the main source of supply in the building; and the other circuit (hereinafter referred to as the emergency lighting circuit) shall be used exclusively for the lighting of the auditorium and shall be controlled from a convenient position within the enclosure and shall be connected to the second independent source of supply, as distinct from that used for the general lighting circuit. Before the commencement of each exhibition, it shall be ascertained by the operator, that the independent source of supply provided for the emergency circuit is in satisfactory order and the supply from the same is available for immediate use in case of emergency.

56. (i) The emergency lighting circuit shall supply not less than three lamps arranged so as to avoid, as far as possible, a single fault extinguishing all the lamps.

(ii) Two-way control from both within and without the enclosure may be adopted for the emergency lighting circuit provided that the control from outside the enclosure is suitably indicated, is not mounted on the same board as any of the general lighting circuits, and is placed in such a position as to be readily handled by a member of the Cinema Staff but inaccessible to the public.

57. (i) A separate and distinct circuit shall be provided for the supply to cinematograph lamps. Such circuit shall be controlled by a suitable main switch and fuse required in pursuance of rule 59; and there shall be in addition for each lamp a totally enclosed double pole iron clad switch and fuse placed in a convenient position within the enclosure.

(ii) When the cinematograph lamp is working the electrical pressure across the terminals of the double pole switch shall not exceed 110 volts.

58. A separate and distinct circuit shall be provided for the supply of energy to fans.



59. (i) Separate main switches and main cut-outs shall be provided as near as possible to the source of supply in the building for the general, emergency, projector and enclosure circuits and for all fan circuits, provided that the emergency lighting main switch and cut-outs are suitably indicated and are not mounted on the same board as any other control.

(ii) All main switches, meters and other electrical apparatus installed near the source of supply in the building shall be housed in a separate enclosure used exclusively for the purpose and inaccessible to the public.

60. Except as otherwise specially provided in these rules, the electrical installation shall be in accordance with such specifications as may from time to time be prescribed by Government by notification in the official gazette.

61. (i) Wiring within the enclosure and for the emergency lighting circuit shall be in screwed piping except that where flexible cables are necessary the flexible portion shall be either steel armoured or enclosed in suitable flexible metallic steel tubing.

(ii) There shall be no unnecessary slack electric cable within the enclosure and all cables runs shall be as short and direct as possible.

62. All switches, cut-outs, resistances, lights, fans and all other electrical appliances in the enclosure shall be mounted on basis of fire-resisting materials and where practicable shall have strong metallic covers enclosing all live parts. Switch covers shall be arranged in such a way that they cannot be opened unless the switch is in the "off" position.

63. All metal work supporting or protecting electric supply lines shall be efficiently earthed by two-separate and distinct connections with the earth. The resistance of the connection with the earth shall not exceed one ohm and all earthing leads shall run in such a manner that the course of each may be readily traced. Where earthing leads pass through walls or are laid in floors they shall be suitably protected.

64. Resistances shall be made entirely of fire-resisting material and shall be so constructed and maintained that no coil or other parts shall at any time become unduly heated, i.e., they shall not become so heated that a piece of paper placed in contact with any part of the resistance would readily ignite. All resistances, with the exception of a resistance for regulating purposes, shall be placed outside the enclosure and in a part of the building to which the public are not admitted.

65. All suspended fittings or apparatus other than small single lamp pendants fitted at a height of less than 10 feet above the floor level of parts of building to which the public are admitted shall be provided with satisfactory means of suspension independent of the conductors.

66. Plant for the generation of electrical energy or for cooling purposes, oil engines or other prime movers, main circuit transformers, convertors or rectifiers shall be placed in a compartment or compartments, the construction and location of which shall be subject to the approval of the licensing authority.

67. Electric accumulators, unless installed in rooms for compartments specially reserved therefor, shall be completely enclosed together with the terminals in substantial castings constructed of, or lined with, insulating and fire-resisting material. Accumulators in cells or containers of celluloid shall not be installed, stored or used.



68. Electric heaters for radiators shall not be used in any part of the building to which the public are admitted except with the consent of the licensing authority and subject to such conditions as he may prescribe.

69. A framed diagram or schedule indicating clearly the arrangement of all circuits and sub-circuits of the electrical installation, the position of the distribution boards and the sizes of cables shall be displayed in the building and shall be kept up to date.

70. After a period of two years of the publication of Punjab Government Home Department, Notification No. GSR24/PA.II/52/S-9 Amd (2) 65, dated the 20th February, 1965, the electrical installation shall be in the charge of an electrician, possessing a certificate of an electrician issued by any Industrial Training Institute of the State Government or Class 'A' Wire-Man certificate issued by the Electrical Inspector, during whole of the time the public are in the building."

71. Attendants and all members of the staff employed in the building during an exhibition shall carry electric torches for use in emergency in the event of failure of the lighting.

#### PART IV

##### *Special Rules for Exhibitions by means of Touring Cinematographs in places licensed temporarily*

72. The rules in this part shall apply to exhibitions given by means of touring cinematographs in places licensed temporarily.

73. The cinematographs apparatus shall have been certified by the Electric Inspector, within a year of the date on which the exhibition is given to be useable without danger to the public.

74. (i) Touring cinematographs used for giving public exhibitions shall be brought for the purpose of annual inspection by the Electric Inspector to a town where a licence under the Indian Electricity Act, 1910, has been granted.

(ii) If after such inspection the Electric Inspector is satisfied that a touring cinematograph is useable without danger to the public he shall issue a certificate to this effect.

75. The cinematographs apparatus shall be housed in a fire-proof enclosure :

Provided that if the cinematograph apparatus is certified by the Electric Inspector to be a touring cinematograph of the safety class no fire-proof enclosure need be provided, but a clear space of six feet (hereinafter referred to as the "reserved space") shall be railed off all around the cinematograph apparatus.

76. In the case of exhibitions given in tent or booth or in any shelter or structure composed of, or covered with, combustible materials or of a movable character, the cinematograph apparatus shall be opera-

1. Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 24/P.A.11/52/S. 9/ AmdCM65 dated the 20th February, 1965.



ted from outside such tent, booth, shelter or structure and shall be placed, in accordance with the provisions of rule 75, at a distance of at least six feet therefrom.

77. No person other than a qualified operator, employed by the licensee and holding a certificate granted by the Electric Inspector or an apprentice duly authorized by the licensee under rule 89 shall be allowed to enter or to be in the enclosure or the "reserved space" while an exhibition is in progress.

78. No inflammable article shall unnecessarily be taken into, or allowed to remain in the enclosure or, "reserved space"; no smoking shall be permitted therein and no naked light shall be used therein.

79. No drapery and no unprotected combustible materials other than such materials as may compose the floor shall be within six feet of the cinematograph apparatus.

80. The following fire appliances shall be provided, viz., a bucket of sand, two buckets of water a damp blanket and one portable chemical fire extinguisher of pattern, class and capacity approved by the licensing authority and such other appliances as the licensing authority may prescribe. They shall be so disposed as to be readily available for use in case of fire within the enclosure.

81. All films not in use shall be kept in securely closed fire-resisting receptacles.

82. Adequate means of exit shall be provided as prescribed by the licensing authority.

83. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing rule, no tent, booth or similar structure shall be used for the purpose of a cinematograph exhibition if it is enclosed by a wall for walls which do not permit of adequate means of egress and which are erected within 30 feet of such tent, booth or similar structure.

84. The seating shall be so arranged as not to interfere with free access to exits, and both the exits and passages and gangways leading to them shall throughout the performance be kept clear of all obstacles.

<sup>1</sup>[84A. A place licensed temporarily for exhibitions by means of touring cinematographs—

(a) shall not be within a radius of 200 meters\* from :—

(i) a place of worship, a cremation ground, a graveyard, a cemetery; or

(ii) a recognised educational institution, such as a college, a high school or girls school, or any residential institution attached to such educational institutions; or

(iii) a public hospital with a large patient ward; or

1. Inserted by Punjab Government Notification No. 14920(C)-H-57/28549, dated the 4th December, 1957.

\* Substituted vide Haryana Government Notification No. G.S.R. 56/P.A.11/52/S. 9/Amd. /72, dated the 24th March, 1972.



- (iv) an orphanage containing one hundred or more inmates; or
- (v) a thickly populated residential area which is either exclusively residential or reserved or used generally or residential as distinguished from business purposes; and
- (vi) shall in no way offend against traffic laws.]

## PART V

*Operators and Apprentices*

85. (i) During an exhibition the enclosure shall be in charge of a ~~qualified~~ operator of not less than 18 years of age who holds a certificate ~~granted~~ by the Electric Inspector to the effect that he is competent to ~~handle~~ and operate a cinematograph.

(ii) An operator shall not be granted a certificate unless he—

- (a) possesses a working knowledge of cinematograph machines and a particular technical knowledge of the type of machine which he is at the time employed in operating;
- (b) is thoroughly conversant with the rules relating to cinematograph exhibitions and precautions against fire;
- (c) is acquainted with the most speedy and effective methods of dealing with fire;
- (d) possesses a fair knowledge of the elements of electric power, direct and alternating current, voltage, amperage, etc.; and
- (e) is proficient in the handling, winding, repairing and efficient cleaning of films.

“(iii) The District Magistrate may, for reasons to be recorded in ~~writing~~, withdraw the certificate granted by the Electric Inspector.”

(iv) In regard to the grant and withdrawal of certificate, the Electric ~~Inspector~~ shall act under the general supervision of the licensing ~~authority~~.

(v) The fee for grant of a certificate shall be Rs 5 but a duplicate ~~copy~~ may be granted on payment of Rs 2.

86. The operator incharge shall be present in the enclosure and ~~shall~~ devote his whole attention to the cinematograph during the whole ~~time~~ that it is being operated. He shall see that the provision of rule 90 ~~and~~ of rules 42, 44, 49 or 77, 78, 79, as the case may be, are strictly ~~observed~~.

87. (i) Before the commencement of an exhibition, the operator ~~in-charge~~ shall satisfy himself that all cables, leads, connections and ~~assistance~~ as also the fire extinguishing appliances in the enclosure are ~~in~~ the proper working order.



(ii) The resistances, if not under constant observation, shall be inspected at least once during each performance. If any fault is detected, current shall be immediately switched off and shall remain switched off until the fault is removed.

88. The operator incharge shall not allow the film to travel through the machine at a greater speed than one hundred feet a minute.

89. An apprentice duly authorised by the licensee may be allowed within the enclosure. Such apprentice shall be not less than 16 years of age and shall not be permitted to operate the cinematograph except in the presence of the operator incharge.

90. No person shall operate a cinematograph or be within the enclosure while under the influence of liquor or any other intoxicant.

91. Every person who holds a licence under section 5 of the Act shall furnish the licensing authority with a list of operators employed by him and whenever any operator is engaged by him, he shall furnish the licensing authority and the Electric Inspector with particulars regarding him before he is allowed to commence work.

#### PART VI

Appeal under section (3) of section 5 <sup>3</sup>brackets, figures and letter "and sub section (4) of section 7A" of the Act.

92. An appeal under sub-section (3) of section 5 brackets, figures and letter "and sub section (4) of section 7A" of the Act shall be preferred by the aggrieved person to the State Government in the Home Department within 30 days of the communication to him of the decision of the licensing authority.

#### PART VII

##### *Miscellaneous Conditions*

93. The licensee shall comply with all the rules made under the Act.

<sup>1</sup>[94. In addition to such directions as may, from time to time, be issued under sub-section (4) of section 5 of the Act and the condition specified in the foregoing rule, the licences, whether <sup>2</sup>(for a period of three years) or temporary, shall be subject to the conditions set forth hereunder :—]

(i) No firework shall be used as an adjunct to cinematograph exhibition.

(ii) Save as the licensing authority may by written order permit, no loud-speaker, gramophone, band, drum, bell, horn, whistle, siren or musical instrument of any kind shall be employed or allowed to be used as an advertisement or to attract attention in or outside the licensed place, nor shall any device be employed which is designed or serves to deliver the entertainment to persons outside the licensed place.

1. Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. 11082-H(C)-54/34059, dated the 7th December, 1954.

2. Substituted by Punjab Government Notification No. 10507-H-61/45348, dated the 28th November, 1961.

3. Added vide Haryana Government Notification No. G.S.R.-252/P.A./11/52/S.9/Amd(1)/76, dated 19-11-1976.



(iii) No poster, advertisement, sketch, synopsis, or programme of a film shall be displayed, sold or supplied either in or anywhere outside the licensed place which is likely to be injurious to morality or to encourage or incite to crime or to lead to disorder or to offend the feeling of any section or the public or which contains offensive representations of living persons.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>“(iv) Omitted.

(v) The licensee shall not, without the permission of the licensing authority, assign, sublet, or otherwise transfer the license or the licensed place or the cinematograph, nor shall the licensee, without permission as aforesaid, allow any other person during the period of currency of the licence to exhibit the films in the licensed place.

(vi) If any accident occurs in a licensed place and such accident results in personal injury or is likely to have resulted in personal injury or loss of life the licensee shall give notice in writing of such accident to the licensing authority and the Electric Inspector to Government, <sup>2</sup>\*Haryana, within 24 hours of its occurrence; and if the accident results in loss of life, the notice shall be given by an express telegram to be confirmed in writing within 24 hours of the occurrence of the accident. Pending an inspection or investigation by the Electric Inspector to Government, Haryana or any officer specially appointed to assist him in this behalf, the licensee shall not interfere with or remove from the scene of the accident any electrical mechanical apparatus, wiring, furnishing etc., which may have been involved in the accident.

<sup>3</sup>“(vii) The licensed premises shall not be used for any purposes other than an exhibition by means of cinematograph, without the prior permission, in writing, of the District Magistrate].

<sup>4</sup>“(viii) The licensee shall not display, or cause to be displayed any photographs, picture or poster which depicts or represent or purports to represent a scene or shot which has been excised from any film under the orders of the Central Board of Film Censors or the Central Government.]

<sup>5</sup>“(ix) No person below the age of 18 years shall be admitted to any show commencing before 3.00 p.m. except on Sunday, a holiday notified by the Haryana State Government or any other day on which educational institutions are closed :

1. Vide Haryana Government Notification No. G.S.R.56/P.A./11/52 S.9/ Amd/72, dated the 24th March, 1972.

2. \*Substituted vide Haryana Government Notification No. G.S.R. 54/P.A. 11/52/ S.9 Amd 127/60, dated the 24th March, 1969.

3. Added by Punjab Government Notification No.11082-H(C)-34/34059, dated the 1st December, 1954.

4. Added by Punjab Government Notification No. 3801(C)-H-55/12151, dated the 4th May, 1955.

5. Added by Haryana Government Notification No. G.S.R. 1/P.A. 11/52/S.9/Amd/ 72 dated the 5th January, 1970.



permission as aforesaid, allow any other persons, during the period of currency of the licence, to exhibit films in the licensed building/place.

12. If any accident occurs in a licensed place, and such accident results in personal injury or is likely to have resulted in personal injury or loss of life, the licensee shall give notice in writing of such accident to the licensing authority and the Electric Inspector to Government, Haryana, within 24 hours of its occurrence; and if the accident results in loss of life, the notice shall be given by an express telegram to be confirmed in writing within 24 hours of the occurrence of the accident. Pending an inspection or investigation by the Electric Inspector to Government, Haryana, or any officer specially appointed to assist him in this behalf the licensee shall not interfere with or remove from the scene of the accident any electrical or mechanical apparatus, wiring, furnishing, etc., which may have been involved in the accident.

13. The licensee shall not admit to any performance any person whose ticket therefor has been purchased otherwise than from an authorised booking clerk at the licensed place or from an agent whose name and place of business have been notified in advance to the District Magistrate and who has been approved by the District Magistrate as a suitable person to be appointed as agent for the sale of tickets.

14. The licensee will not exhibit or permit to be exhibited in the place in respect of which this licence is given, to any person who is not an adult, any film which has been certified by an authority, constituted under section 6 of the Cinematograph Act, 1918 (II of 1918) as suitable for public exhibition restricted to adults.

*Note.*—This condition shall not be constructed as prohibiting the exhibition of a film, in respect of which an 'A' certificate has been granted, to children in arms below the age of three.

15. No advertisement slides relating to sexual diseases and medicines to correct sexual disorder, or purporting to assist the childless in begetting children etc., shall be exhibited through slides in cinema halls.

16. Posters and pictorial publicity material pertaining to cinematograph films which are a gross misrepresentation of the film itself and which even when not clearly obscene are objectionably suggestive, shall not be displayed in cinema hall.

17. Film shall be stored—

(i) in a storage shed constructed of suitable unflammable materials; the doors and ventilators may be of wood, and shall open out-wards, or...

(ii) in a tent, placed on private ground and separated by a distance of not less than 25 feet from any dwelling house, other building, highway, street, or public place.

18. The storage shed shall not form part of, or be attached to any building in which any person resides or works or where persons assemble for any purpose unless it is separated therefrom by as substantial floor or partition.

1. Substituted by Haryana Government Notification No. G.S.R. 54/P.A. 11/52/S. 9/ Amd.(2)/69, dated the 24th March, 1969.



19. The storage shed, if in any building, shall not be situated under any staircase or under any other means of exit likely to be required to be used for escape in case of fire.

20. The storage shed shall be adequately ventilated near the ground level and also near or in the roof. All ventilators shall be fitted with metal grids or similar suitable protection on the outside face of the wall and a layer of No 16 mesh brass or other non-corroding metal wire gauze on the inside face of the wall.

21. Film shall be kept in a securely closed fire-resisting receptacle.

22. The storage shed or tent shall not be used for any other purpose.

23. (i) All operations connected with examination, repairing, cleaning, waxing and rewinding of film, shall only be carried out in the examination room which shall not be used for any other purpose and shall be separated from the storage shed by a partition.

(ii) The examination room shall be constructed of fire-resisting materials only and well ventilated to the outside air.

(iii) Not more than two rolls of film only shall be opened for examination at any one time per examiner and not more than 10 rolls in all shall be under examination or repair at any one time.

24. All film waste and scrap in the examination room shall be placed immediately in a strong metal receptacle fitted with tight hinged lid and marked "Film Waste" and kept under water until disposed of. The contents of the drums shall be disposed of at frequent intervals by burning under adequate precautions or in such other manner as may be prescribed by the licensing authority.

25. No alterations shall be carried out in the storage shed or examination room without the previous sanction in writing of the licensing authority. Such alterations so sanctioned shall be shown on an amended plan to be attached to this licence.

26. No two sheds for the storage of film shall adjoin each other or be in the same building.

27. Adequate precautions shall at all time be taken for the prevention accidents by fire or explosion and no smoking, fire or articles capable of causing fire to film shall be permitted at any time within the licensed premises.

28. The furniture and other articles shall be so arranged as to afford free egress to persons in the room in the event of fire.

29. There shall be kept posted upto in large characters in the room:—

- (i) full instructions as to the action to be taken in case of fire, and
- (ii) full directions as to the means of escape from the room in case of fire.

30. Free access to the licensed premises shall be given at all reasonable times to any Magistrate or any Police Officer not below the rank of a Sub-Inspector of Police deputed by the District Magistrate or the Superintendent of Police or the Electrical Inspector, and every facility



shall be afforded to such officer for ascertaining that the rules and conditions are duly observed.

31. Any accident, fire or explosion occurring within the licensed premises which is attended with loss of human life or serious injury to persons or property shall be reported immediately to the nearest Magistrate or to the Officer-in-Charge of nearest Police Station and by telegram or telephone where such means of communication are available.

32. If the licencing Authority calls upon the holder of a licence by a notice in writing, to execute any repairs to the licensed premises which are in the opinion of such authority necessary for the safety of the premises the holder of a licence shall execute the repairs within such period, not being less than one week from the date of receipt of notice, as may be fixed by the notice.

33. (a) All lights in storage shed or examination room shall be at the ceiling and of the fixed type. They shall be fitted with substantial, outer protecting vapour proof globes and equipped with keyless sockets. All switches, fuses, plugs, sockets, electric meters and distribution boards shall be installed outside the storage shed or examination room. All frames shall be effectively earthed.

(b) All electric wiring and equipment shall conform to the Regulations for the Electric Equipment of Building framed by the Institution of Electrical Engineers. All electric wiring shall be in gas-tight screwed conduits which shall be electrically and mechanically continuous throughout, and effectively earthed outside the building.

(c) Portable electric lights on extension cords shall not be used in any storage shed or examination room.

<sup>1</sup>[34. The licensed premises shall not be used for any purpose other than an exhibition by means of a cinematograph, without the prior permission, in writing, of the District Magistrate.]

<sup>2</sup>[35. The licensee shall not display, or cause to be displayed any photographs, pictures or posters which depict or represent or purport to represent a scene or shot which has been excised from any film under the orders of the Central Board of Film Censors or the Central Government.]

<sup>3</sup>[36. (i) There shall be prominently exhibited at each public entrance whenever the premises are open to the public a notice indicating in tabular form and in clear bold letters and figures :—

- (a) the title of each film to be shown on that day, other than trailer and advertisement films;
- (b) the approximate times of commencement of each such film;
- (c) whether each such film has received an 'A' or 'U' certificate from the Central Board of Film Censors; and
- (d) whether persons below the age of 18 years other than children below the age of 3 years will be admitted or not.

1. Added by Punjab Government Notification No. 11082-H(C)-54/34059, dated the 7th December, 1954.

2. Added by Punjab Government Notification No. 3801(C)-H-55/12151, dated the 4th May, 1955.

3. Added by Punjab Government Notification No. 4864(C)-H-56/1697, dated the 20th July, 1956. 4288(S)



(ii) The nature of any certificate received in respect of film from the Central Board of Film Censors shall be clearly indicated by the letters "U" or "A" in any advertisement of the film displayed at the premises.]

1"37. No person below the age of 18 years shall be admitted to any show commencing before 3.00 p.m. except on Sunday, a holiday notified by the Haryana State Government or any other day on which educational institutions are closed :

Provided that this prohibition shall not apply to the admission of children below the age of five years.

#### FORM B

#### Temporary permit for exhibition under the Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Act, 1952

Whereas \_\_\_\_\_ ( full name and address ) has applied for the renewal of his licence and the said licence has been retained in my office pending disposal of his application, he is hereby permitted temporarily to exhibit films in \_\_\_\_\_ (here enter description of premises) under the Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Act, 1952, for the period of \_\_\_\_\_ from this date, subject to the provisions of rule 7 of the Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Rules, 1952.

Dated the \_\_\_\_\_

day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19 .

1. Added by Haryana Government Notification No. G.S.R. 1/P.A. 11/52/S. 9/Amd./70, dated the 5th January, 1970.



## HARYANA GOVERNMENT

### HOME DEPARTMENT

#### Notification

The 27th February, 2003

No. 28/3/2003-4HG-IL.—In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 9 of the Punjab Cinemas (Regulations) Act, 1952 (Punjab Act 11 of 1952) and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Haryana hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Punjab Cinemas (Regulations), Rules 1952, in their application to the State of Haryana, namely :—

1. (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Haryana Amendment Rules, 2003.  
(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the official Gazette.
2. In the Punjab Cinemas (Regulation) Rules, 1952 (hereinafter called the said rules), in rule 2,—
  - (i) In clause (xi), for sign “.” Existing at the end, the sign “;” shall be substituted;
  - (ii) After clause (xi), the following clause shall be added at the end, namely :—  
“(xii) “multiplex” means a place having more than one cinema theatres not exceeding one thousand sitting capacity on any floor of a commercial building for cinematograph exhibition.”
3. In the said rules, in rule 3,—
  - (A) in clause (i), for the words “or temporary”, the words “or temporary or provisional” shall be substituted;
  - (B) after clause (iv), the following clause shall be added at the end, namely :—  
“(V) Provisional licence may be granted for a multiplex initially for a period not exceeding three months extendable for a further period of three months if the licensing authority is satisfied that all the safety norms have been provided.”
4. In the said rules, in rule 9, in sub rule (i),—
  - (A) in clause (b), for sign “.” existing at the end, the sign “;” shall be substituted;
  - (B) after clause (b), the following clauses shall be added at the end, namely :—  
“(C) call upon the Executive Engineer, Public Health Division, to see that the facility of safe drinking water and public utility system have been provided;  
(d) call upon Fire Officer to see that necessary arrangements for fire-fighting equipment have been made.”
5. In the said rules, in rule 18, for sub-rule (ii), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely :—  
“(ii) Notwithstanding anything in the preceding sub-rule, licence may be granted or renewed by the licensing authority for more than one cinema theatres in a commercial building keeping in mind the latest technology, size of individual theatre in multiplexes, latest screening and audio equipment and developing of modern metropolis and development of commercial complexes in the shopping malls by relaxing the provisions of clauses (c) and (d) of sub-rule (i) of rule 19 to such an extent and subject to such condition as it may deem necessary.”
6. In the said rules, in rule 19, in sub-rule (i), after clause (d), following clause shall be added at the end, namely :—  
“(e)(i) due to the advancement of technology, change in social behaviour and improved standard of living, the licensing authority may permit more than one cinema theatres in any commercial building provided all safety requirements are provided;  
(ii) before granting such licence the licensing authority shall see that the building has been constructed according to the specifications which provide all safety measures including exist etc.”



7. In the said rules, in rule 20,—

- “(i) for sign “.” existing at the end, the sign “:” shall be substituted;
- (ii) the following proviso shall be added, namely :—

“Provided that the above provisions shall not be applicable for multiplex licenses.”

BIRBAL DASS DHALIA,  
Financial Commissioner and Principal Secretary to  
Government Haryana, Home Department.



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गृह विभाग  
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दिनांक 28.11.2003

संख्या 28/3/2003-4एच.जी.॥ - पंजाब सिनेमा (विनियम) अधिनियम, 1952 (1952 का पंजाब अधिनियम 11), की धारा 9 द्वारा प्रदान की गई शक्तियों तथा इस निमित्त उन्हें समर्थ बनाने वाली सभी अन्य शक्तियों का प्रयोग करते हुए, हरियाणा के राज्यपाल, इसके द्वारा, पंजाब सिनेमा (विनियमन) नियम, 1952, को हरियाणा राज्यार्थ आगे संशोधित करने के लिए निम्नलिखित नियम बनाते हैं, अर्थात:-

1. (1) ये नियम पंजाब सिनेमा (विनियम) हरियाणा द्वितीय संशोधन नियम, 2003, कहे जा सकते हैं

(2) ये राजपत्र में, इनके प्रकाशन की तिथि से लागू होंगे ।

2. पंजाब सिनेमा (विनियमन) नियम, 1952 (जिन्हें, इसमें, इसके बाद उक्त नियम कहा गया है), में, नियम 2 में,

खण्ड (xii) के स्थान पर, निम्नलिखित खण्ड प्रतिस्थापित कर दिया जाएगा, अर्थात:-

“(xii) “बहुविध” से अभिप्राय है, चलचित्रदर्शी प्रदर्शनी के लिए किसी वाणिज्यिक भवन की किसी मंजिल पर एक से अधिक सिनेमा थियेटर वाला कोई स्थान ।”

3. उक्त नियमों में, नियम 3 में, खण्ड (v) के स्थान पर निम्नलिखित खण्ड प्रतिस्थापित कर दिया जाएगा, अर्थात:-

“(v) किसी बहुविध के लिए अन्तिम अनुज्ञप्ति प्रारम्भ में छः मास से अधिक अवधि के लिए प्रदान की जा सकती हैं जो आगे छः मास की अवधि के लिए बढ़ाये जाने योग्य होगी, यदि अनुज्ञप्ति प्राधिकारी की सन्तुष्टि हो जाती है कि सभी सुरक्षा मानक उपलब्ध करा दिए गए हैं ।”

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एक प्रति नियंत्रक, लेखन एवं मुद्रण सामग्री विभाग हरियाणा चण्डीगढ़ को भेज कर अनुरोध है कि इस ~~समय~~ को अगले हरियाणा सरकार गजट में प्रकाशित करवाये तथा उसकी 100 प्रतियां इस विभाग को भेजे ।

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**HARYANA GOVERNMENT  
HOME DEPARTMENT  
NOTIFICATION**

The 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2003

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1. (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Cinemas(Regulation) Haryana Second Amendment Rules, 2003.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Punjab Cinemas(Regulation) Rules, 1952 (hereinafter called the said rules), in rule 2 for clause (Xii), the following clause shall be substituted namely :-

“(xii) “multiplex” means a place having more than one cinema theatres on any floor of a commercial building for cinematograph exhibition”.

3. In the said rules, in rule 3 for clause (v), the following clause shall be substituted, namely :-

“(v) Provisional licence may be granted for a multiplex initially for a period not exceeding six months extendable for a further period of six months if the licencing authority is satisfied that all the safety norms have been provided”.

PROMILLA ISSAR  
Financial Commissioner and Principal Secretary to  
Government, Haryana, Home Department.

Dated Chandigarh the 28<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2003

No. 28/3/2003-4HG-II

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Under Secretary Home(C)  
for Financial Commissioner & Principal, Secretary to  
Government, Haryana, Home Department.

Dated Chandigarh the 28<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2003

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A copy each is forwarded to all the Deputy Commissioner-cum-Licensing Authority in Haryana for information and further necessary action. This disposes of letter No.LPA/2003/2034, dated 20.11.2003 from Deputy Commissioner, Gurgaon.

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