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FILMS ACT (CHAPTER 107)

FILMS (EXEMPTION) NOTIFICATION 2005

ARRANGEMENT OF PARAGRAPHS

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 40(2) of the Films Act, the Minister for Information, Communications and the Arts hereby makes the following Notification:

Citation and commencement

1. This Notification may be cited as the Films (Exemption) Notification 2005 and shall come into operation on 1st July 2005.

Definitions

2. In this Notification, unless the context otherwise requires —

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“exhibition point” means any place where films are publicly exhibited and includes a cinema multiplex with one or more exhibition halls.

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Exemption

3. Sections 22 and 22A of the Act shall not apply to any person who publishes an advertisement for a film that is distributed or publicly exhibited or intended for distribution or public exhibition provided that the advertisement for that film complies with the following conditions:

(a) the advertisement states the classification rating that accords with the classification assigned to that film under the Act and the consumer advice applicable to the film (if any);

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(b) the advertising poster for any film assigned a classification rating of “R21” is only displayed in exhibition points lawfully permitted to publicly exhibit films assigned that classification rating;

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(c) the advertisement does not depict human genitalia or nudity of any kind (including images of persons in titillating attire);

(d) the advertisement does not depict any person in a sexually provocative manner or in any other offensive manner;

(e) the advertisement does not depict or promote explicit sexual violence or sexual activity involving coercion or in anyway associated with violence (including images of bondage);

(f) the advertisement does not depict or promote homosexual intimacy (including images of same gender kissing);

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(g) the advertisement does not depict or promote fetishes or deviant sexual practices (including images of paedophilia, bestiality or necrophilia);

(h) the advertisement does not depict explicit acts of cruelty or violence (including gory images of dismemberment, bloody wounds or impaled bodies);

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- (i) the advertisement does not depict ghastly or horrifying images of the supernatural (including frightening images of disfigured or ghostly apparitions);
 - (j) the advertisement does not depict or promote illicit drug use, explicit criminal or anti-social behaviour (including images of the consumption of illicit drugs, triad ceremonies or rituals);
 - (k) the advertisement does not depict or promote any matter or thing likely to cause feelings of enmity, ill-will or hostility between different racial or religious groups in Singapore;
 - (l) the advertisement does not depict ethnic, racial or religious hatred, strife or intolerance (including disrespectful images of religious figures or objects);
 - (la) the advertisement does not contain any matter which denigrates or is offensive to any race or religion in Singapore;

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- (m) the advertisement does not depict or promote any cult or any deviant belief or teaching;
- (n) the advertisement does not depict any lewd, obscene or offensive act, word or message of any kind; and
- (o) the advertisement shall not be displayed in a manner or place likely to cause offence to any section of the public.

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Made this 24th day of June 2005.

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