

*These notes refer to the Licensing Act (Northern Ireland)
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 6: Suitability for functions

This section amends Article 48(4) of the principal Order by adding an outdoor stadium to the categories of premises in respect of which an application may be made to a court for an order specifying the premises (or any part of the premises) as being suitable for functions. Only where premises have been so specified can an extension be granted under Article 47, authorising the sale of alcohol at functions to 1.00am on weekdays or midnight on Sundays.

The functions in question must be organised by any body established for social, charitable or benevolent purposes or for furthering the common interests of persons associated with any trade, profession, educational or cultural activity, game or sport.

In addition, a licence holder may organise, for any purpose, a maximum of 6 functions in any year. The sale of alcohol must be ancillary to a function and the sale for consumption off the premises (or the relevant part of the premises) is prohibited.