
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1986 No. 595

The Mental Health (Northern Ireland) Order 1986

PART XI

MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTARY

Miscellaneous

Voluntary use of services

127.—(1) Nothing in this Order shall be construed as preventing a patient who requires treatment for mental disorder from being admitted to any hospital or private hospital for that treatment in pursuance of arrangements made in that behalf and without an application, order or direction rendering him liable to be detained under this Order, or from remaining in any hospital or private hospital in pursuance of such arrangements after he has ceased to be so liable to be detained.

(2) Where a minor who has attained the age of 16 years is capable of expressing his own wishes, any such arrangements as are mentioned in paragraph (1) may be made, carried out and determined^{F1} even though there are one or more persons who have parental responsibility for him (within the meaning of the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995).

F1 1995 NI 2

Changes to legislation:

The Mental Health (Northern Ireland) Order 1986, Section 127 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 13 July 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- [art. 127\(2\)](#) repealed by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 62](#)[Sch. 11](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- [Sch. 5 Pt. 2](#) repealed in part by [S.I. 2003/435 \(N.I.\) Sch. 5](#) (text not available on [Legislation.gov.uk](#))
- [Sch.05 Pt. 1](#) rev. in pt. by [1995 c. 35 s. 29\(2\)](#)[Sch. 3](#)
- [Sch. 5 Pt. 2](#) rev. in pt. by [1998 c. 47 s. 100\(2\)](#)[Sch. 15](#)
- [art. 14A](#) inserted by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 10](#)
- [art. 36\(2\)\(za\)](#) inserted by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 22\(3\)](#)
- [art. 36\(3\)\(e\)](#) and word inserted by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 22\(4\)\(d\)](#)
- [art. 37\(1\)\(za\)](#) inserted by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 23\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- [art. 37\(1A\)](#) inserted by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 23\(3\)](#)
- [art. 52](#) rev. by [1996 c. 46 s. 35\(2\)](#)[Sch.7 Pt. 3](#)
- [art.52](#) rev. (DrosD,) by [1996 c. 46 s. 35\(2\)](#)[Sch.7 Pt.III](#)
- [art. 63A63B](#) inserted by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 31](#)
- [art. 67\(2A\)](#) inserted by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 35\(4\)](#)
- [art. 83\(4A\)](#) inserted by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 48\(4\)](#)
- [art. 120\(4\)](#) inserted by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 59\(4\)](#)
- [art. 133\(2A\)](#) inserted by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 68\(4\)](#)