
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2007 No. 1351

**The Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups
(Northern Ireland) Order 2007**

Offences: supplementary

Article 23: exclusions and defences

24.—(1) A person does not commit an offence under Article 23 if B has not attained the age of 16.

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Textual Amendments

F1 Art. 24(2)-(7) repealed (10.9.2012 immediately after the coming into force of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/2157)) by [Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 \(c. 9\), s. 120, Sch. 9 para. 93, Sch. 10 Pt. 5](#); S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(aa)(v) (bb)

Commencement Information

II Art. 24 partly in operation; art. 24 not in operation at date of making see. art. 1(3); art. 24(1) in operation for certain purposes at 12.10.2009 by [S.R. 2009/346, art. 3, Sch.](#)

Changes to legislation:

The Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Northern Ireland) Order 2007, Section 24 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 25 June 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 the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:

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

- Sch. 1 para. 5A inserted by [2012 c. 9 Sch. 7 para. 11\(1\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 11A inserted by [2012 c. 9 Sch. 7 para. 11\(3\)](#)
- art. 32A32B substituted for art. 32-34 by [2012 c. 9 Sch. 7 para. 9\(1\)](#)
- art. 35(3A)-(3D) inserted by [2012 c. 9 Sch. 7 para. 9\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- art. 36ZA inserted by [2012 c. 9 Sch. 7 para. 10](#)
- art. 50(2A) inserted by [2012 c. 9 Sch. 7 para. 13\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- art. 50(5)(b) and word inserted by [2012 c. 9 Sch. 7 para. 13\(3\)\(f\)](#)
- art. 51(2A) inserted by [2012 c. 9 Sch. 7 para. 13\(4\)\(c\)](#)
- art. 51(5)(b) and word inserted by [2012 c. 9 Sch. 7 para. 13\(4\)\(f\)](#)