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**The Licensing (Indoor Arenas) (Northern Ireland) Order 2004**

**Meaning of “indoor arena”**

3.—(1) Article 2 of the principal Order (interpretation) shall be amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In paragraph (2), after the definition of “housing authority” there shall be inserted—

““indoor arena” has the meaning given in Article 2A;”.

(3) In paragraph (4) for “(j)” there shall be substituted “(k)”.

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**“Meaning of “indoor arena”**

2A.—(1) In this Order “indoor arena” means any premises—

(a) which are structurally adapted and used, or intended to be used, for the purpose of providing a venue for a variety of indoor events and activities; and

(b) which consist of—

(i) an area where the events and activities take place; and

(ii) accommodation which is capable of seating the prescribed number of persons or more on permanent seats and wholly or substantially surrounds the area where the events and activities take place.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(b)—

(a) the prescribed number of persons is 5000 or such other number as the Department may prescribe by regulations; and

(b) “permanent seats” means seats that are permanently attached to a part of the building or to a structure that is permanently so attached.”.