



# Football Spectators Act 1989

## CHAPTER 37

### FOOTBALL SPECTATORS ACT 1989

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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*Status and capacity*

- 1 (1) The licensing authority shall be a body corporate.

*Appointment and tenure of members*

- 2 It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State—...  
3 Any person who is, or whom the Secretary of State...  
4 Subject to the following provisions of this Schedule, a person...  
5 A person shall not be appointed as a member of...  
6 A person may at any time resign his office as...  
7 Where a member becomes or ceases to be the chairman,...  
8 If the Secretary of State is satisfied that a member...  
9 A person who ceases to be a member, or ceases...

*Remuneration and pensions of members*

- 10 The licensing authority may pay to each member such remuneration...  
11 The licensing authority may pay, or make provision for paying,...

- 12 Where a person ceases to be a member otherwise than...
- 13 The approval of the Treasury shall be required for any...

*Disqualification of members of licensing authority for  
House of Commons and Northern Ireland Assembly*

- 14 In Part II of Schedule 1 to the House of...

*Proceedings*

- 15 The quorum of the licensing authority and the arrangements relating...
- 16 (1) A member of the licensing authority who is in...
- 17 The validity of any proceedings of the licensing authority shall...

*Inspectors, officers and employees*

- 18 The licensing authority may appoint such inspectors as it may...
- 19 The licensing authority may appoint a secretary and such other...
- 20 The terms and conditions of appointments under paragraphs 18 and...
- 21 The licensing authority shall, as regards such of its inspectors,...
- 22 If an inspector, officer or employee of the licensing authority—...

*Accounts and audit*

- 23 The licensing authority shall keep proper accounts and proper records...
- 24 The accounts of the licensing authority shall be audited by...
- 25 A person shall not be qualified for appointment for the...
- 26 A copy of any accounts of the licensing authority which...
- 27 The Comptroller and Auditor General may inspect any records relating...
- 28 In paragraphs 23 and 24 above, “accounting year” means the...

*Authentication of licensing authority’s seal*

- 29 The application of the seal of the licensing authority shall...

*Presumption of authenticity of documents issued by licensing authority*

- 30 Any document purporting to be an instrument issued by the...