

# Licensing Act 2003

## **2003 CHAPTER 17**

### PART 3

#### PREMISES LICENCES

#### Grant of premises licence

#### 16 Applicant for premises licence

- (1) The following persons may apply for a premises licence—
  - (a) a person who carries on, or proposes to carry on, a business which involves the use of the premises for the licensable activities to which the application relates,
  - (b) a person who makes the application pursuant to—
    - (i) any statutory function discharged by that person which relates to those licensable activities, or
    - (ii) any function discharged by that person by virtue of Her Majesty's prerogative,
  - (c) a recognised club,
  - (d) a charity,
  - (e) the proprietor of an educational institution,
  - (f) a health service body,
  - (g) a person who is registered under Part 2 of the Care Standards Act 2000 (c. 14) in respect of an independent hospital,
  - (h) the chief officer of police of a police force in England and Wales,
  - (i) a person of such other description as may be prescribed.

#### (2) But an individual may not apply for a premises licence unless he is aged 18 or over.

(3) In this section—

"charity" has the same meaning as in section 96(1) of the Charities Act 1993 (c. 10);

"educational institution" means-

- (a) a school, or an institution within the further or higher education sector, within the meaning of section 4 of the Education Act 1996 (c. 56), or
- (b) a college (including any institution in the nature of a college), school, hall or other institution of a university, in circumstances where the university receives financial support under section 65 of the Further and Higher Education Act 1992 (c. 13);

"health service body" means-

- (a) an NHS trust established by virtue of section 5 of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19),
- (b) a Primary Care Trust established by virtue of section 16A of the National Health Service Act 1977 (c. 49), or
- (c) a Local Health Board established by virtue of section 16BA of that Act; "independent hospital" has the same meaning as in section 2(2) of the Care

Standards Act 2000 (c. 14);

"proprietor"-

- (a) in relation to a school within the meaning of section 4 of the Education Act 1996, has the same meaning as in section 579(1) of that Act, and
- (b) in relation to an educational institution other than such a school, means the governing body of that institution within the meaning of section 90(1) of the Further and Higher Education Act 1992; and
  - "statutory function" means a function conferred by or under any enactment.