



The Hypnotism Act 1952

Application for authorisation

Please read carefully the guidance notes attached before completing this application form.

Name and Address of Applicant

Postcode

Designation of Applicant

Telephone Number

If applicant is not an individual natural person, please complete the following section:

Name and address of employee
or agent responsible for the
premises

Postcode

Designation of employee / agent

Telephone Number

Authorisation sought to permit
the demonstration of hypnotism
by:

Name (if any) and address of
premises for which authorisation
is sought licence is required

Postcode

Maximum number of persons proposed to be admitted to the premises at
any one time

Specify days and times when it
is proposed the premises will be
open for the purposes of the
above kind of entertainment

Members of the federation of ethical stage hypnotists are required to swear a statutory declaration that they will obey the code of ethical conduct which has been approved by the home office and the British Society of Medical and Dental Hypnotists. They are also obliged to carry insurance cover of a quarter of a million pounds.

Signature of applicant _____

Date _____

HOW WE USE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

The information provided by you will be used by Perth & Kinross Council to fulfil our statutory obligations with respect to compliance with the Hypnotism Act 1952.

The information will be shared with Perth & Kinross Licensing Team.

The information may be shared with the Police Scotland for Licensing purposes or investigations.

The Council may check information provided by you, or information about you provided by a third party, with other information held by us. We may also get information from certain third parties or share your information with them in order to verify its accuracy, prevent or detect crime, protect public funds or where required by law.

For further information, please look at our website www.pkc.gov.uk/dataprotection; email dataprotection@pkc.gov.uk or phone 01738 477933.

Completed application forms should be returned to the Food, Health and Safety Team at the undernoted address.

Food, Health and Safety Team
Perth & Kinross Council
Housing & Environment
35 Kinnoull Street
Perth
PH1 5GD

Guidance notes for applicants

Control of demonstrations of hypnotism at other places

1. No person shall give an exhibition, demonstration or performance of hypnotism on any living person at or in connection with an entertainment to which the public are admitted, whether on payment or otherwise, at any place in relation to which such a licence as is mentioned in section one of this Act is not in force unless the controlling authority have authorised the exhibition, demonstration or performance.
2. If a person gives any exhibition, demonstration, or performance of hypnotism in contravention of this section or in contravention of any conditions attached to an authorisation under this section, he/she shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

Prohibition of hypnotising persons under twenty-one

3. A person who gives an exhibition, demonstration, or performance of hypnotism on a person who has not attained the age of twenty-one years at or in connection with an entertainment to which the public are admitted, whether on payment or otherwise, shall, unless he/she had reasonable cause to believe that the persons had attained that age, be liable on summary conviction to fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

Entry of premises

4. Any police constable may enter any premises where any entertainment is held if he/she has reasonable cause to believe that any act is being or may be done in contravention of this Act.

Hypnotism

5. Hypnotism is defined in the Act as including hypnotism, mesmerism and any similar act or process which produces, or is intended to produce in any person any form of induced sleep or trance in which the susceptibility of the mind of that person to suggestion or direction is increased or intended to be increased but does not include hypnotism, mesmerism or any such similar act or process which is self-induced.