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**GUIDANCE NOTE No GN.C127**

**Live Music Act 2012**

**Effective from 1 October 2012**

**Summary**

- Applies to pubs, clubs, nightclubs, bars, cafes, or other venues licensed for the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises.
- The premises must be open for the sale of alcohol while the live music is taking place for the exemption to apply.
- The Act only applies to live music, i.e. bands, two performers, solo artists, orchestras etc.
- It doesn't apply to DJ's or any other type of recorded music or any other kinds of regulated entertainment.
- If the live music is amplified, the exemption only applies with audience of 200 or less (staff and performers are not included in this number)
- The capacity of the premises is irrelevant – it's the audience size that counts.
- If the live music is unamplified, then there is no limit on the audience size

- The exemption only applies to live music between the hours of 8am and 11pm.

## **Entertainment Facilities**

The licensing requirement for entertainment facilities (making music, dancing, anything of a similar description) is removed from the Licensing Act 2003 and these activities are no longer licensable.

## **Existing Premises Licence Conditions**

Any existing conditions which relate to live music will remain in place on the licence but are suspended between the hours of 8am and 11pm.

Amended licences will not be issued unless applications are made to:

- Transfer the licence
- Vary the licence by way of Variation of DPS / Minor Variation / Full Variation
- Minor amendment e.g. change of registered address
- Following the successful review of a premises licence

## **Application Forms**

There are currently no changes to the application forms but they may be revised in the future by the DCMS.

If you require any further information please contact the Licensing Team on 0208 760 5466.