

ANNEX: RULES FOR ADMISSION

HOUSE OF KEYS RULES

For admission to the Public and Press Galleries and the Precincts of the House

(made by Mr Speaker in accordance with Standing Order 3.37(1))

Members of the public must observe the following rules; contravention of the rules may result in removal from the Precincts of the House or other appropriate sanction as determined by Mr Speaker.

Members of the public must:

- Permit any bags, packages or belongings to be searched and, if so required, deposit them until they depart
- Enter and leave the proceedings quietly
- Switch off mobile phones, pagers, laptops and similar electronic equipment
- Obey any instructions given by Mr Speaker
- Obey any instructions given by any official of the House

Members of the public must not:

- Enter the floor of the House on sitting days except with the authority of Mr Speaker
- Enter the Members' Room on sitting days except with the authority of Mr Speaker
- Talk, applaud or shout out
- Display banners or slogans
- Use cameras, recording or audio equipment without prior authorisation
- Paint, draw or sketch without prior authorisation
- Read newspapers or magazines
- Eat, drink or smoke
- Leave baggage or belongings unattended

- Enter the House or Members' Room when the House is not sitting unless accompanied by a Member or officer of the House
- Bring any firearm, knife or other offensive weapon into the Precincts

The Messengers and Guards on duty shall be responsible for seeing that such regulations are observed.

By Order of the Speaker

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