

**Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982**  
**Hypnotism Act 1952**

**Application to give an Exhibition, Demonstration or Performance of Hypnotism**

1. Full name:

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2. Stage name (if different):

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3. Former names:

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4. Home address:

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5. Email address:

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6. Telephone number daytime:

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Mobile: .....

7. Date of birth:

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8. Place of birth:

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9. Location or venue of proposed performance(s): The premises at which hypnotism will take place must hold a premises licence or a club premises certificate.

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10. Date(s) of proposed performance(s):

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11. Times of the proposed performance(s):

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12. Number of people to be admitted to each of the performance(s):

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13. Please provide a description of the nature of the proposed exhibition, demonstration or performance (enclose copies of posters, advertisements or programme if applicable):

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14. If the performance includes hypnotising members of the public, will attendants stay with the hypnotised subjects during the show, including the interval?

Yes / No \* please circle your answer to yes/no options throughout

15. Is the hypnotist providing an attendant for each hypnotised subject?

Yes / No

If 'no', how many hypnotised subjects will an attendant supervise?

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16. Are you a member of a recognised professional body related to Hypnotism (e.g. the Federation of Ethical Stage Hypnotists or the European Guild of Professional Stage Hypnotists)?

Yes / No

If yes, provide details:

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17. Have you ever been refused or had your membership revoked from any such body?

Yes / No

If yes, provide details:

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18. Have you ever been refused or had any consent withdrawn by a Licensing Authority?

Yes / No

If 'yes', please provide details:

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19. Last three performances. Complete the following details about each of the last three performances given by the hypnotist.

Performance 1:

Name of venue:

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Venue manager's name:

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Venue address:

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Venue telephone number:

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Date of performance:

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Local Authority which granted permission:

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Performance 2:

Name of venue:

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Venue manager's name:

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Venue address:

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Venue telephone number:

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Date of performance:

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Local Authority which granted permission:

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Performance 3:

Name of venue:

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Venue manager's name:

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Venue address:

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Venue telephone number:

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Date of performance:

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Local Authority which granted permission:

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20. Do you have public liability insurance?

Yes / No

If 'yes', please provide details of

Insurance company:

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Policy number:

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Cover provided:

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21. Have you ever been convicted of an offence under the Hypnotism Act 1952 or of an offence involving the breach of a condition regulating or prohibiting the giving of an exhibition, demonstration or performance of hypnotism on any person at any location?

Yes / No

If 'yes', please provide details:

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I am aware of the provisions of The Hypnotism Act 1952. The details contained in the application form and any attached documentation are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: .....Date: .....

The completed application form should be returned to:

Licensing Unit  
Cannock Chase District Council  
Civic Centre  
Beecroft Road  
Cannock  
Staffordshire  
WS11 1BG

Payment of the £25.00 application fee can be made either (a) by post with cheque made payable to Cannock Chase Council or (b) in person at the above offices by cheque (made payable to Cannock Chase District Council) or bank (c) The Licensing Unit can be contacted on 01543 464497 to pay by bank card over the phone.

### **Guidance notes for applicants**

1. Any exhibition, demonstration or performance (hereafter referred to as a “performance”) of hypnotism (as defined in the Hypnotism Act 1952) on any person requires the express written consent of the licensing authority and must comply with any attached conditions.
2. An application for consent must be in writing and signed by the applicant or his agent and shall normally be made not less than 28 days in advance of the performance concerned. This period may be reduced in the case of a hypnotist who has performed at the same venue within the last three years without any problems occurring.
3. The applicant must at the same time as submitting the application, forward a copy of the application to the chief officer of police; and the authority may also copy it to the local fire authority if it considers this necessary.
4. Applications should be accompanied by any supporting documentation required in the application form.
5. It is an offence to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with an application for a licence.