

Online Regulation Policy



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Introduction



Overview of changes

- High level review of the old policy versus the updated policy
- Discussion of significant changes

UGC and complaints

- Understanding UGC and show it should be dealt with
- Complaints process for UGC and how it works
- Mandate of FPB

Permits and selfclassification

- Section 23(2) and permits with online distributors
- Conditions for self-classification

Review, audits and sanctions

- FPB's right to review and audit self-classification
- Sanctions that may be issued for non-compliance with the Act and the Policy





- The mandate of the Board can be summarized as follows:
- (1) To regulate the creation, production, possession and distribution of films, games and certain publications by way of classification;
- (2) To protect children from exposure to disturbing and harmful material and from premature exposure to adult material; and
- (3) To criminalize child pornography and the use and exposure of children to pornography.





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Application of
Policy – amended.
Based on
comments that too
far reaching.

Introduction – largely retained with slight changes.. Objectives of Policy – largely retained with minor changes.

Definitions section
- re-drafted.
Consistency with
the Act.

Old policy v updated policy

UGC - formerly
"Prohibition against
child exploitative
media content and
classification by the
Board of user
generated content"



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"Policy on online distribution of digital films & games" – deleted.
Salient points combined with 'Online distribution...' for consistency.

Online distribution of films and games

- new suggested

new suggested framework

> "Matters for Board to consider" – deleted, combined with "Online distribution..."

"Guiding principles of the policy" – deleted. Salient points combined with 'Online distribution...' for consistency.

Old policy v updated policy

"Checks and safeguards" – deleted, combined with "Review of classification..."



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Complaints – retained, few changes to content.

Review of classification decisions by self-classifiers – retained, minor changes.

Audits of industry classification decisions – retained with changes.

"Online
distribution
licensing fee and
classification fee
per title" deleted, combined
with 'Online
distribution..."

Old policy v updated policy

Sanctions regime for industry classification decisions – retained, minor changes



Classification decision database – retained, minor changes.

Policy review – retained, minor changes.

Old policy v updated policy

UGC and complaints



Can't regulate and classify all UGC

UGC presents challenges

Education and awareness

Deal with on basis of complaints + own accord

Permits and self-classification



Online
distributor
must be
registered and
pay fee

Section 23(2) provides for exemption subject to conditions

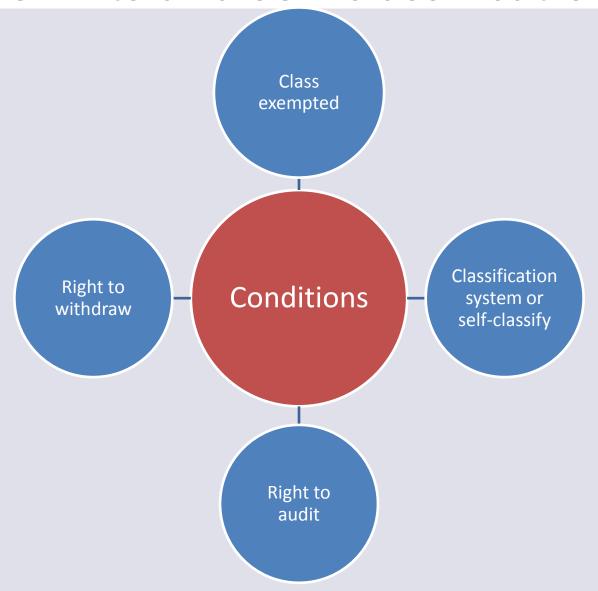
Agreement = permit.
Regulations don't prescribe the form.

Agreement sets out conditions

Permits and self-classification



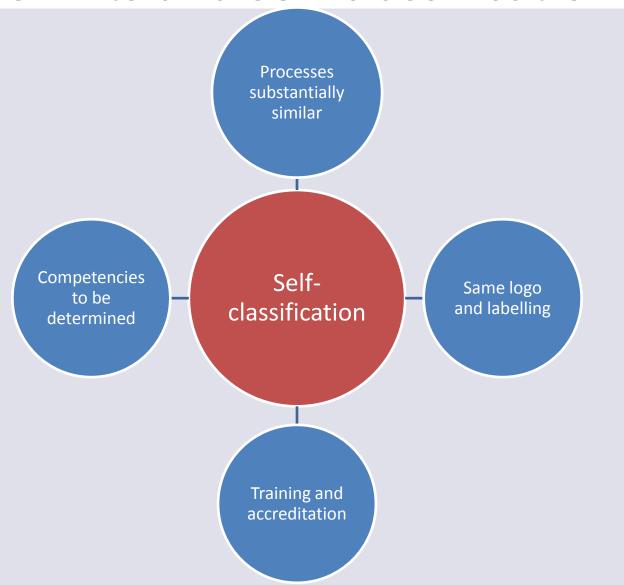
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Permits and self-classification



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Reviews, audits and sanctions



Review a sample of self-classified content

Gives FPB oversight. Ensures consistency

FPB will assist compliance – offer further training

Repeat
offenders –
revoke right to
self-classify

Reviews, audits and sanctions

Legally sound



and valid

Audits for quality assurance

Persistent breaches will be dealt with

Will advise on issues identified

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