



YOUR GUIDE TO USE CLASSES IN SCOTLAND

USE CLASSES ORDER 1997	USE / DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	PERMITTED CHANGE
Class 1 SHOPS	Retail sale of goods, hairdresser, undertaker, travel and ticket agency, post office. Dry cleaner, launderette, cold food consumption on premises. Display of goods for sale, hiring out of domestic goods or articles, reception of goods to be washed	No Permitted change
Non-classified (SUI GENERIS)	Sale or display of motor vehicles	Permitted change to Class 1 (limited to a floor area of 235sq. metres or less)
	Amusement centre, taxi business, vehicle hire	No Permitted change
Class 2 FINANCIAL, PROFESSIONAL & OTHER SERVICES	Financial, professional or any other service expected in shopping areas e.g. betting office, lawyers, accountants, estate agents, health centres, surgeries of dentists, doctors and vets (where the principal visitors are members of the public)	Permitted change to Class 1
Class 3 FOOD AND DRINK	Restaurant, café, snack bar (use for sale of food or drink on the premises)	Permitted change to Class 1 & 2
Non-classified (SUI GENERIS)	Public house (primary use sale of alcohol liquor)	No permitted change
	Hot food takeaway	Permitted change to Class 1 & 2
Class 4 BUSINESS	Office (other than that specified under Class 2) Research and development of products or processes Light industry	Permitted change to Class 6 (limited to a floor area of 235 sq. metres or less)
Class 5 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL	General industrial (use for the carrying out of an industrial process other than one falling within the Class 4 (Business) definition)	Permitted change to Class 4 or 6 (Class 6 change limited to no more than 235 sq. metres or less)
Class 6 STORAGE OR DISTRIBUTION	Storage or distribution	Permitted change to Class 4
Class 7 HOTELS AND HOSTELS	Hotel, boarding and guest house, hostel	No permitted change
Class 8 RESIDENTIAL INSTITUTIONS	Residential school, college, training centre, Residential accommodation with care, hospital, nursing home	No permitted change
Class 9 HOUSES	House occupied by a single person, or a number living together as a family, or as a household of 5 persons or less. Limited use as a bed and breakfast or guesthouse.	No permitted change
Non-classified (SUI GENERIS)	Flats	No permitted change
Class 10 NON RESIDENTIAL INSTITUTIONS	Crèche, day nursery, day centre, provision, provision of education Museum, exhibition hall, public library, display of art Public worship, religious instruction, social activities of a religious body	No permitted change
Class 11 ASSEMBLY AND LEISURE	Cinema, concert hall, bingo hall casino, dance hall, discotheque Skating rink, swimming bath, gymnasium or for indoor sports or recreation not involving motorised vehicles or firearms	No permitted change

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