



**OFFICE OF FILM
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Te Tari Whakarōpū Tukuata, Tuhituhinga

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**Film festival submission of two or more short films
on one video tape**

The Office of Film and Literature Classification (the “Office”) completed a survey in 1994 of organisations who, through the labelling body, submit films for classification under s12 of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (the “Act”). The Office’s policy was to require each short to be submitted on a separate video tape so that each publication submitted for classification was physically and separately identifiable. Some concern was expressed in the survey results that this requirement imposed additional cost and time on film festival organisers. The Office will therefore adjust its policy as follows:

1. Film festivals may submit more than one short film for classification on one video tape, provided that the shorts for which classifications are required are clearly and specifically identified on the submission form.
2. The Office will then dub each short for which a classification is required onto a separate video tape, each of which will be assigned a separate publication number.
3. Each short will be classified as a separate publication.
4. Shorts may continue to receive fee waivers at the Chief Censor’s discretion under Fees Reg. 7 provided adequate reasons accompany the application for a waiver. Shorts may also be grouped under Fees Reg. 8 at the Chief Censor’s discretion.

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