

Censorship Information for Libraries No. 15 September 2008



Welcome to the library newsletter from the Office of Film and Literature Classification. Feel free to contact us if you have any queries or suggestions for future content (our contact details are on page 2). You can also forward this newsletter to others who may be interested in its content.

The Board of Review decision on *The Peaceful Pill Handbook* (Revised New Zealand Edition)

By Philip Nitschke & Dr Fiona Stewart.
Publishers: Exit International US Ltd
ISBN 978-0978878832

The Peaceful Pill Handbook was classified as objectionable (banned) by the Office in 2007. This year, *The Peaceful Pill Handbook (New Revised International Edition)* containing blacked out sections of text was submitted to the Office for classification. The *New Revised International Edition* was classified as restricted to those aged 18 years and over with display conditions.

The Peaceful Pill Handbook (New Revised International Edition) was submitted by the Society for the Promotion of Community Standards Inc (SPCS) to the Film and Literature Board of Review. The SPCS also mentioned *The Peaceful Pill Handbook (Revised New Zealand Edition)* in their submission.

The Board of Review classified *The Peaceful Pill Handbook (Revised New Zealand Edition)* (ISBN 978-0978878832) as restricted to those aged 18 years and over with the following display conditions:

- the book must be labelled.
- the label must be affixed to the lower right hand corner of the book so as to cover *banned* and preferably *banned in Australia*.
- the book can only be publicly displayed in a sealed package through which the classification can be clearly seen.

New Classification Label Posters

Libraries and other suppliers of DVDs and videos, are required to have classification information on display. More information on this can be found at <http://www.censorship.govt.nz/industry-advertising>.

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LIANZA

We will be at LIANZA in stall 53 opposite the main entrance. We will be giving out bags with information sheets on:

- Labelling and DVD box sets
- Exemptions from labelling and children's books with DVDs
- Console games
- Downloadable films and the internet.

You are also welcome to come and talk to us at LIANZA. This year we will have online access to the New Zealand Censorship Database to access the Office's classification decisions.

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New Classification Label Posters

Use Classification Labels To Choose Films, DVDs and Games

Anyone can view

G General
This film, DVD or game can be viewed by anyone.

Exercise caution

PG Parental Guidance
This film, DVD or game may need guidance.

M Mature
This film, DVD or game can be watched or played by anyone, but it is more suitable for mature audiences aged 15 years and over.

Restricted

R Restricted
This film, DVD or game can be watched or played by anyone, but it is more suitable for mature audiences aged 15 years and over.

RP 13 Restricted - Parental Guidance
This film, DVD or game can be watched or played by anyone, but it is more suitable for mature audiences aged 13 years and over.

16 Restricted - 16
This film, DVD or game can be watched or played by anyone, but it is more suitable for mature audiences aged 16 years and over.

For more information on censorship go to www.censorship.govt.nz or freephone 0508 CENSOR

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