

*These notes refer to the Licensing Act 2003 (c.17)
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LICENSING ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 9: Miscellaneous and Supplementary

Section 176 – Prohibition of alcohol sales at service areas, garages etc.

269. This section provides for a general prohibition on the sale of alcohol at motorway service areas and garage forecourts. The Secretary of State may by order exclude or include any descriptions of premises from the set of those to which the prohibition applies. An example of the possible use of this power would be to lift the prohibition from garages, perhaps in rural areas, where the turnover is made up of a specified proportion of non-petrol sales. But the power is not limited to premises related to motorway service areas and garages.