



Customs and Excise Management Act 1979

1979 CHAPTER 2

PART XI

DETENTION OF PERSONS, FORFEITURE AND LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

General provisions as to legal proceedings

147 Proceedings for offences.

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- (2) [^{F2}Where, in England or Wales, a magistrates' court has begun to inquire into an information charging a person with an offence under the customs and excise Acts as examining justices the court shall not proceed under [^{F3}section 25(3) of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980] to try the information summarily without the consent of—
- (a) the Attorney General, in a case where the proceedings were instituted by his order and in his name; or
 - (b) the Commissioners, in any other case.]
- (3) In the case of proceedings in England or Wales, without prejudice to any right to require the statement of a case for the opinion of the High Court, the prosecutor may appeal to the Crown Court against any decision of a magistrates' court in proceedings for an offence under the customs and excise Acts.
- (4) In the case of proceedings in Northern Ireland, without prejudice to any right to require the statement of a case for the opinion of the High Court, the prosecutor may appeal to the county court against any decision of a court of summary jurisdiction in proceedings for an offence under the customs and excise Acts.

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Textual Amendments

- F1 S. 147(1) repealed by [Finance Act 1989 \(c. 26, SIF 40:1\), ss. 16\(2\)\(4\), 187\(1\), Sch. 17 Pt. I](#)
- F2 S. 147(2) repealed (18.6.2012 for specified purposes, 5.11.2012 for specified purposes, 28.5.2013 for specified purposes) by [Criminal Justice Act 2003 \(c. 44\), s. 336\(3\)\(4\), Sch. 3 para. 50, Sch. 37 Pt. 4; S.I. 2012/1320, art. 4\(1\)\(c\)\(d\)\(2\)\(3\) \(with art. 5\) \(see S.I. 2012/2574, art. 4\(2\) and S.I. 2013/1103, art. 4\); S.I. 2012/2574, art. 2\(2\)\(3\)\(c\)\(d\), Sch. \(with arts. 3, 4\) \(as amended \(4.11.2012\) by S.I. 2012/2761, art. 2\) \(with S.I. 2013/1103, art. 4\); S.I. 2013/1103, art. 2\(1\)\(c\)\(d\)\(2\)\(3\) \(with arts. 3, 4\)](#)
- F3 Words substituted by [Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 \(c. 43, SIF 82\), s. 154, Sch. 7 para. 176](#)
- F4 S. 147(5) repealed by [Criminal Justice Act 1982 \(c. 48, SIF 39:1\), s. 77, Sch. 14 para. 42](#)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Ss. 147, 148 extended by [Car Tax Act 1983 \(c. 53, SIF 40:2\), s. 1\(4\), Sch. 1 para. 8\(8\), Value Added Tax Act 1983 \(c. 55, SIF 40:2\), s. 39\(9\), S.I. 1987/2105, reg. 5\(2\) and 1988/1476, art. 5\(2\)](#)
- C2 Ss. 144-148, 150-155 applied (01.01.1992) by [S.I. 1991/2724, reg. 10\(2\)](#)
[Ss. 144-148, 150-155 applied \(01.01.1992\) by S.I. 1991/2725, reg. 6\(2\)](#)
- C3 Ss. 144-148, 150-155 applied (01.01.1992) by [S.I. 1991/2727, reg. 7\(2\)](#)
- C4 Ss. 145-152, extended (27.9.1993) by [1993 c. 36, ss. 71\(7\), 78.](#)
- C5 Ss. 144-148, 150-155 applied (23.6.1993) by [S.I. 1993/1353, reg. 4\(2\)](#)
- C6 Ss. 145-155 applied (3.5.1994) by [1994 c. 9, s. 64, Sch. 7 Pt. IV para. 11](#)
[Ss. 145-155 applied \(with modifications\) \(1.9.1994\) by 1994 c. 23, ss. 72\(12\), 101\(1\), Sch. 13 para. 13 \(with s. 57\(4\)\)](#)
[Ss. 145-155 applied \(29.4.1996\) by 1996 c. 8, s. 60, Sch. 5 Pt. III para. 17](#)
- C7 Ss. 145-148 applied (1.3.1995) by [S.I. 1995/271, reg. 12\(2\)\(3\)](#)
[Ss. 145-148 applied \(15.11.1996\) by S.I. 1996/2721, reg. 12\(2\)](#)
[Ss. 145-148 applied \(1.5.1999\) by S.I. 1999/1261, reg. 4\(4\)](#)
[Ss. 145-148 applied \(14.10.1999\) by S.I. 1999/2821, reg. 4\(4\)](#)
[Ss. 145-148 applied \(14.10.1999\) by S.I. 1999/2822, reg. 4\(4\)](#)
[Ss. 145-148 applied \(with modifications\) \(15.7.1998\) by S.I. 1998/1531, reg. 4\(4\)\(5\)](#)
[Ss. 145-148 applied \(25.5.2000\) by S.I. 2000/1408, reg. 3\(4\)](#)
[Ss. 145-155 applied \(28.7.2000\) by 2000 c. 17, s. 30\(1\), Sch. 6 Pt. VIII para. 96](#)
[Ss. 145-148 applied \(28.9.2000\) by S.I. 2000/2620, reg. 12\(2\)](#)
[Ss. 145-155 applied \(11.5.2001\) by 2001 c. 9, s. 26\(5\)](#)
[Ss. 145-155 applied \(11.5.2001\) by 2001 c. 9, s. 28, Sch. 6 para. 5](#)
[Ss. 145-148 applied \(31.3.2002\) by S.I. 2002/868, reg. 4\(4\)](#)
- C8 Ss. 145-148 applied (6.2.2004) by [The Democratic Republic of Congo \(Financing and Financial Assistance and Technical Advice, Assistance and Training\) \(Penalties and Licences\) Regulations 2004 \(S.I. 2004/221\), regs. 1\(1\), 4\(4\) \(with reg. 4\(5\)\)](#)
- C9 Ss. 145-148 applied (19.2.2004) by [The Sudan \(Technical Assistance and Financing and Financial Assistance\) \(Penalties and Licences\) Regulations 2004 \(S.I. 2004/373\), regs. 1\(1\), 4\(4\) \(with reg. 4\(5\)\)](#)
- C10 Ss. 145-148 applied (26.2.2004) by [The Liberia \(Technical Assistance and Financing and Financial Assistance\) \(Penalties and Licences\) Regulations 2004 \(S.I. 2004/432\), regs. 1\(1\), 4\(4\) \(with reg. 4\(5\)\)](#)
- C11 Ss. 145-148 applied (3.3.2004) by [The Trade in Controlled Goods \(Embargoed Destinations\) Order 2004 \(S.I. 2004/318\), arts. 1, 11\(2\) \(with art. 11\(3\)\)](#)
- C12 Ss. 145-148 applied (1.5.2004) by [Export of Goods, Transfer of Technology and Provision of Technical Assistance \(Control\) Order 2003 \(S.I. 2003/2764\), arts. 1, 21\(4\)](#)
- C13 Ss. 145-148 applied (1.5.2004) by [The Trade in Goods \(Control\) Order 2003 \(S.I. 2003/2765\), arts. 1\(1\), 12\(2\)](#)
- C14 Ss. 145-148 applied (17.5.2004) by [The Burma \(Sale, Supply, Export, Technical Assistance, Financing and Financial Assistance and Shipment of Equipment\) \(Penalties and Licences\) Regulations 2004 \(S.I. 2004/1315\), regs. 1\(1\), 4\(4\)](#)

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- C15** Ss. 145-148 applied (9.2.2005) by The Export Control (Iraq and Ivory Coast) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/232), arts. 1(1), **5(4)**
- C16** Ss. 145-148 applied (27.6.2005) by The Export Control (Democratic Republic of Congo) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/1677), arts. 1(1), **7(3)**
- C17** Ss. 145-148 applied (26.11.2005) by The Export Control (Uzbekistan) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/3257), arts. 1(1), **6(3)**
- C18** Ss. 145-148 applied (27.7.2006) by The Export Control (Liberia) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/2065), arts. 1(1), **7(3)**
- C19** Ss. 145-148 applied (30.7.2006) by The Technical Assistance Control Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/1719), regs. 1(1), **6(3)**
- C20** Ss. 145-148 applied (11.10.2006) by The Burma (Sale, Supply, Export, Technical Assistance, Financing and Financial Assistance) (Penalties and Licences) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2682), art. 1(1), **reg. 6(3)**
- C21** Ss. 145-148 applied (11.10.2006) by The Lebanon (Technical Assistance, Financing and Financial Assistance) (Penalties and Licences) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2681), regs. 1(1), **5(3)**
- C22** S. 147 applied (27.4.2007) by The Export Control (North Korea) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1334), arts. 1(1), **7(4)**
- C23** S. 147 applied (26.5.2007) by The Export Control (Iran) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1526), arts. 1(1), **6(4)**
- C24** S. 147 applied (23.4.2008) by The Export Control (Burma) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/1098), arts. 1(1), **11(4)**
- C25** Ss. 146-148 applied (6.4.2009) by The Export Control Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/3231), arts. 1, **41(4)**
- C26** Ss. 145-148 applied by 1983 c. 18, s. 1D(3) (as inserted (30.11.2009) by Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008 (c. 4), s. 153(7), Sch. 17 para. 3; S.I. 2009/3074, art. 2(q))
- C27** S. 147 applied by SI 2009/1749, art. 13(3) (as substituted (11.12.2009) by The North Korea (United Nations Sanctions) (Amendment) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/3213), arts. 1(1), **11**)
- C28** S. 147 applied (20.2.2010) by The Export Control (Guinea) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/364), arts. 1(1), **7(4)**
- C29** Ss. 147, 148 applied by S.I. 2009/886, art. 11(3) (as substituted (17.12.2010) by The Iran (United Nations Sanctions) (Amendment) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/2978), arts. 1(1), **15**)
- C30** S. 147 applied (17.2.2011) by The Export Control (Somalia) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/146), arts. 1(1), **5(4)**
- C31** S. 147 applied (17.2.2011) by The Export Control (Liberia) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/145), arts. 1(1), **6(4)**
- C32** S. 147 applied (18.3.2011) by The Export Control (Libya) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/825), arts. 1(1), **7(4)**
- C33** S. 147 applied (25.5.2011) by The Export Control (Syria and Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/1304), arts. 1(1), **7(4)**
- C34** S. 147 applied (13.6.2011) by The Export Control (Eritrea and Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/1296), arts. 1(1), **6(4)**
- C35** S. 147 applied (13.6.2011) by The Export Control (Iran) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/1297), arts. 1, **14(4)** (with art. 4)
- C36** S. 147 applied (5.9.2011) by The Export Control (Belarus) and (Syria Amendment) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/2010), arts. 1(1), **7(4)**
- C37** S. 147 applied (30.11.2011) by The Export Control (Al-Qaida and Taliban Sanctions) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011/2649), regs. 1(1), **8(3)**
- C38** S. 147 applied (30.12.2011) by The Export Control (Sudan and South Sudan Sanctions) and (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011/2925), regs. 1(1), **7(3)**
- C39** S. 147 applied (5.4.2012) by The Export Control (Syria Sanctions) and (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/810), arts. 1(1), **15(4)**
- C40** S. 147 applied (1.6.2012) by The Export Control (Iran Sanctions) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/1243), arts. 1(1), **19(4)**
- C41** S. 147 applied (28.8.2013) by The Export Control (Burma Sanctions) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/1964), arts. 1(1), **9(4)**

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