



Misuse of Drugs Act 1971

1971 CHAPTER 38

Restrictions relating to controlled drugs etc.

3 Restriction of importation and exportation of controlled drugs.

(1) Subject to subsection (2) below—

- (a) the importation of a controlled drug; and
- (b) the exportation of a controlled drug,

are hereby prohibited.

(2) Subsection (1) above does not apply—

- (a) to the importation or exportation of a controlled drug which is for the time being excepted from paragraph (a) or, as the case may be, paragraph (b) of subsection (1) above by regulations under section 7 of this Act [^{F1}or by provision made in a temporary class drug order by virtue of section 7A] ; or
- (b) to the importation or exportation of a controlled drug under and in accordance with the terms of a licence issued by the Secretary of State and in compliance with any conditions attached thereto.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 3(2)(a) inserted (15.11.2011) by [Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 \(c. 13\)](#), s. 157(1), [Sch. 17 para. 4](#); S.I. 2011/2515, art. 3(g)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971, Section 3.