



Ivory Act 2018

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Powers of entry, search and seizure

21 Powers of seizure etc

- (1) A police or customs officer who is exercising the power of search conferred by section 14 may seize and detain anything found in the course of the search.
- (2) A police or customs officer who is exercising a power of search conferred by section 15, 16 or 17 in relation to any premises may—
 - (a) seize and detain or remove any item found on the premises;
 - (b) take copies of or extracts from any document or record found on the premises.
- (3) An officer to whom a document or record has been produced in response to a requirement imposed under section 20 may—
 - (a) seize and detain or remove that document or record;
 - (b) take copies of or extracts from that document or record.

In this subsection “document” includes anything falling within paragraph (a) or (b) of section 20(3).

- (4) The powers under this section may be exercised only—
 - (a) for the purposes of determining whether a relevant offence has been committed, or
 - (b) in relation to an item that the officer concerned reasonably believes to be relevant evidence.
- (5) Nothing in this section confers power on an officer to seize an item that is an excluded item (see section 24).