



Customs and Excise Management Act 1979

1979 CHAPTER 2

PART XII

GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

General powers, etc.

[^{F1}164A Powers to search for cash

- (1) The provisions of this Act which fall within subsection (2) (search powers for officers of Revenue and Customs etc.) apply in accordance with subsection (3)—
 - (a) for the purposes of searching for cash—
 - (i) which is recoverable property or is intended by any person for use in unlawful conduct; and
 - (ii) the amount of which is not less than the minimum amount;
 - (b) for the purposes of searching for cash to ensure compliance with the Cash Control Regulation; or
 - (c) for purposes connected to any such purposes.
- (2) The provisions of this Act which fall within this subsection are—
 - (a) section 28(1) (powers of access etc.);
 - (b) section 77(1) and (2) (information powers);
 - (c) section 159(1) to (4) (powers to examine and take account of goods); and
 - (d) section 164 (power to search persons including intimate searches).
- (3) Those provisions apply for the purposes mentioned in subsection (1) as if—
 - (a) any reference in them to goods included a reference to cash; and
 - (b) in section 164(1)—
 - (i) the reference to an article were a reference to cash; and
 - (ii) paragraphs (a) and (b) were omitted.

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- (4) The Treasury may by regulations provide for—
- (a) any provision of this Act to apply with modifications for the purposes of the provisions applied by subsections (1) to (3), or
 - (b) any other enactment to apply, with or without modifications, for the purposes of the provisions so applied.
- (5) This section does not limit the scope of any powers that exist apart from this section (whether under this Act or otherwise).
- (6) In this section—
- “the 2002 Act” means the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002;
 - “cash”—
 - (a) so far as relating to purposes falling within subsection (1)(a) above, has the meaning given by section 289(6) and (7) of the 2002 Act; and
 - (b) so far as relating to purposes falling within subsection (1)(b) above, has the same meaning as in the Cash Control Regulation; - “the Cash Control Regulation” means Regulation (EC) No. 1889/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 October 2005 on controls of cash entering or leaving the Community;
 - “minimum amount” has the meaning given by section 303 of the 2002 Act;
 - “modifications” includes omissions;
 - “recoverable property” has the meaning given by section 316(1) of the 2002 Act;
 - “unlawful conduct” has the meaning given by section 241 of the 2002 Act.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 164A inserted (25.1.2010) by [Policing and Crime Act 2009 \(c. 26\)](#), ss. [99\(1\)](#), [116\(3\)\(b\)](#); S.I. [2010/52](#), art. 2

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