



# Criminal Justice Act 1988

## 1988 CHAPTER 33

### PART XI

#### MISCELLANEOUS

##### *Provisions relating to Customs and Excise*

PROSPECTIVE

#### **150 Bail for persons in customs detention.**

At the end of section 114(2)(b) of the <sup>M1</sup>Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 there shall be added the words “and

- (c) that in relation to customs detention (as defined in any order made under this subsection) the Bail Act 1976 shall have effect as if references in it to a constable were references to an officer of Customs and Excise of such grade as may be specified in the order.”

#### **Marginal Citations**

M1 1984 c. 60.

#### **151 Customs and Excise power of arrest.**

(1) If—

(a) a person—

- (i) has been released on bail in criminal proceedings for an offence falling within subsection (4) below; and
- (ii) is under a duty to surrender into customs detention; and

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- (b) an officer of Customs and Excise has reasonable grounds for believing that that person is not likely to surrender to custody,  
he may be arrested without warrant by an officer of Customs and Excise.
- (2) A person arrested in pursuance of subsection (1) above shall be brought as soon as practicable and in any event within 24 hours after his arrest before a justice of the peace for the petty sessions area in which he was arrested.
- (3) In reckoning for the purposes of subsection (2) above any period of 24 hours, no account shall be taken of Christmas Day, Good Friday or any Sunday.
- (4) The offences that fall within this subsection are—
- (a) an offence against section 5(2) of the <sup>M2</sup>Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (possession of controlled drugs); and
- (b) a drug trafficking offence.
- (5) In this section and section 152 below “drug trafficking offence” means a drug trafficking offence as defined by [<sup>F1</sup>section 1(3) of the Drug Trafficking Act 1994 other than an offence under section 50] of that Act (assisting another to retain the benefit of drug trafficking).

#### Textual Amendments

**F1** Words in s. 151(5) substituted (3.2.1995) by 1994 c. 37, ss. 65, 69(2), **Sch. 1 para.22**

#### Commencement Information

**II** S. 151 partly in force; s. 151 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 171; s. 151(5) in force at 3.4.1989 by S.I. 1989/264, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. II**

#### Marginal Citations

**M2** 1971 c. 38.

## 152 Remands of suspected drug offenders to customs detention.

- (1) Subject—
- (a) to subsection (2) below; and
- (b) to section 4 of the Bail Act 1976,  
where—
- (i) a person is brought before a magistrates’ court on a charge of an offence against section 5(2) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 or a drug trafficking offence; and
- (ii) the court has power to remand him,  
it shall have power, if it considers it appropriate to do so, to remand him to customs detention, that is to say, commit him to the custody of a customs officer for a period not exceeding 192 hours.
- (2) This section does not apply where a charge is brought against a person under the age of 17.
- (3) In the application of this section to Northern Ireland, for the words from the beginning of subsection (1) above to “1976” there shall be substituted the words “Subject to subsection (2) below,”.

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[<sup>F2</sup>(4) In the application of this section to Northern Ireland, “drug trafficking offence” means a drug trafficking offence as defined by 88 Article 2(2) of the Proceeds of Crime (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (other than offences under Article 46 of that Order (assisting another to retain the benefit of criminal conduct)).]

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**Textual Amendments**

**F2** S. 152(4) substituted (25.8.1996) by S.I. 1996/1299 (N.I.9), art. 57(1), **Sch. 3 para.7**

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