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# SCHEDULES

# SCHEDULE 7

# PORT AND BORDER CONTROLS

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Sch. 7 modified (19.2.2001) by S.I. 1993/1813, Sch. 4 para. 3 (as substituted by S.I. 2001/178, art. 4)
- C1 Schs. 7, 8, 14 extended (with modifications) (coming into force in accordance with art. 1(2) of the extending S.I.) by The Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (Juxtaposed Controls) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/2818), art. 11(1)(b), Sch. 2 (as amended (31.3.2021) by The Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (Juxtaposed Controls) (Amendment) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/311), arts. 1(2), 2(7)(b)(i))

# Searches

- 7 For the purpose of satisfying himself whether there are any persons whom he may wish to question under paragraph 2 an examining officer may—
  - (a) search a ship or aircraft;
  - (b) search anything on a ship or aircraft;
  - (c) search anything which he reasonably believes has been, or is about to be, on a ship or aircraft.
- 8 (1) An examining officer who questions a person under paragraph 2 may, for the purpose of determining whether he falls within section 40(1)(b)—
  - (a) search the person;
  - (b) search anything which he has with him, or which belongs to him, and which is on a ship or aircraft;
  - (c) search anything which he has with him, or which belongs to him, and which the examining officer reasonably believes has been, or is about to be, on a ship or aircraft;
  - (d) search a ship or aircraft for anything falling within paragraph (b)
  - $[^{F1}(e)]$  search a vehicle which is on a ship or aircraft;
    - (f) search a vehicle which the examining officer reasonably believes has been, or is about to be, on a ship or aircraft.]
  - (2) Where an examining officer questions a person in the border area under paragraph 2 he may (in addition to the matters specified in sub-paragraph (1)), for the purpose of determining whether the person falls within section 40(1)(b)—
    - (a) search a vehicle;
    - (b) search anything in or on a vehicle;
    - (c) search anything which he reasonably believes has been, or is about to be, in or on a vehicle.
  - (3) A search of a person under this paragraph must be carried out by someone of the same sex.

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## **Textual Amendments**

F1 Sch. 7 para. 8(1)(e)(f) inserted (13.4.2006) by Terrorism Act 2006 (c. 11), s. 29; S.I. 2006/1013, art. 2

9 (1) An examining officer may examine goods to which this paragraph applies for the purpose of determining whether they have been used in the commission, preparation or instigation of acts of terrorism.

 $[^{F2}(2)$  This paragraph applies to—

- (a) goods which have arrived in or are about to leave Great Britain or Northern Ireland on a ship or vehicle, and
- (b) goods which have arrived at or are about to leave any place in Great Britain or Northern Ireland on an aircraft (whether the place they have come from or are going to is within or outside Great Britain or Northern Ireland).]
- (3) In this paragraph "goods" includes—
  - (a) property of any description, and
  - (b) containers.
- (4) An examining officer may board a ship or aircraft or enter a vehicle for the purpose of determining whether to exercise his power under this paragraph.

#### **Textual Amendments**

F2 Sch. 7 para. 9(2) substituted (14.12.2001) by 2001 c. 24, s. 118(4)

- 10 (1) An examining officer may authorise a person to carry out on his behalf a search or examination under any of paragraphs 7 to 9.
  - (2) A person authorised under this paragraph shall be treated as an examining officer for the purposes of—
    - (a) paragraphs 9(4) and 11 of this Schedule, and
    - (b) paragraphs 2 and 3 of Schedule 14.

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