

Ivory Act 2018

2018 CHAPTER 30

Powers of entry, search and seizure

14 Power to stop and search persons

- (1) This section applies where a police or customs officer has reasonable grounds to suspect that a person has committed, or is committing, a relevant offence.
- (2) The officer may—
 - (a) search the person for relevant evidence;
 - (b) stop and detain the person for the purposes of the search.
- (3) The powers conferred by this section may be exercised in any place to which the officer lawfully has access (whether or not it is a place to which the public has access).
- (4) In this Act—
 - "police or customs officer" means-
 - (a) a constable,
 - (b) a designated customs official, or
 - (c) a designated NCA officer authorised by the Director General of the National Crime Agency (whether generally or specifically) to exercise the powers of a police or customs officer under this Act;

"relevant evidence" means evidence that a relevant offence has been committed;

"relevant offence" means—

- (a) an offence in connection with an exemption certificate or with registration under section 10, or
- (b) an offence under section 12.