



# CUSTOMS NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.

All dutiable, prohibited, and restricted articles in the possession of a passenger, however small the quantity may be, and whether carried on the person or otherwise, must be declared and produced to the Customs Officer who examines the baggage; otherwise smuggling penalties are incurred. No prohibited article, however small the quantity, will be permitted to be imported.

All dutiable articles are liable to duty. In practice, however, passengers may be allowed to retain small quantities of dutiable articles for their own personal use without payment of duty provided that they are duly declared and produced. This concession is liable at any time or in any circumstances to be withheld or modified as the interests of the Revenue require; and it does not apply to dutiable articles in registered baggage examined elsewhere than at the port of landing or in unaccompanied baggage.

Passengers are warned that, if in doubt whether an article is liable to duty or not, it should be produced for examination.

The principal dutiable articles are:—

- TOBACCO including CIGARS, CIGARETTES and SNUFF.
- SPIRITS and articles containing Spirits, LIQUEURS, RAY RUM, WINE and BEER.
- PERFUMED SPIRITS, e.g., Eau de Cologne, Toilet Waters, &c.
- TEA, COFFEE, CHICORY, COCOA and CHOCOLATE.
- SUGAR, and goods containing SUGAR.
- SACCHARIN and similar substances.
- CAMERAS, FIELD and OPERA GLASSES, MAGNETOS, VACUUM TUBES, WIRELESS VALVES, and other articles liable to KEY INDUSTRY DUTY, such as:—
  - Optical Glass and Optical Instruments. Scientific Glassware, Lamp Blown Ware and Laboratory Porcelain. Scientific Instruments and certain Gauge and Measuring Instruments of Precision.
  - Permanent Magnets, Arc Lamp Carbons, and Hosiery Latch Needles. Metallic Tungsten and its products, &c., Compounds of Thorium and other rare Earth Metals. Certain Synthetic Organic and other CHEMICALS (see below as to prohibition of dyestuffs).
- MATCHES, PLAYING CARDS, DRIED FRUITS.
- Chloral Hydrate, Chloroform, Collodion and Ethers.

The principal articles prohibited or restricted on importation are:—

- ALL MERCHANDISE IMPORTED IN BAGGAGE.
- Extracts of Tea, Coffee, Chicory and Tobacco.
- Foreign reprints of registered COPYRIGHT WORKS, including Music.
- DOGS.—Dogs and other canine animals from foreign countries, not including the Channel Islands and the Irish Free State, must not be landed except under licence issued by the competent authority and in accordance with the terms of that licence.
- ARMS, AMMUNITION and EXPLOSIVES.—These are not allowed to be imported except under licence issued by the competent authority.
- PREPARED OPIUM.
- COCAINE, MORPHINE, Ecgonine, and Diamorphine (HEROIN) and Raw or Medicinal OPIUM.—These are not allowed to be imported except under a licence issued by the competent authority.
- PLUMAGE, with certain exceptions, which include Plumage *bona fide* intended, and reasonably required as part of the wearing apparel for the personal use of a passenger.
- Plate.
- Synthetic Organic Dyestuffs.

Attempts to evade the prohibitions or restrictions render offenders liable to severe penalties.

The Customs Officer may require all packages of baggage to be opened for his examination; and the responsibility for opening, unpacking and repacking the packages rests with the passenger or his agent.

An attempt to bribe a Customs Officer renders the offender liable to a PENALTY OF £200.

**THROUGH BAGGAGE.**—Passengers en route to destinations outside Great Britain or Northern Ireland may on application deposit the duty on dutiable articles retained in their possession for consumption outside Great Britain or Northern Ireland. In that case the duty is recoverable at the appropriate port or place of departure on production of the articles and the receipt for the deposit.

**N.B.**—This represents the position on the date of issue and enquiries as to any modifications or on points of detail should be addressed to the Secretary.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

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