



## REPUBLIC OF VANUATU

### CUSTOMS ACT NO. 7 OF 2013

#### Customs (Prohibited Import) Regulations Order No. 115 of 2014

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by paragraphs 65(1)(a) and 215(2)(b) and section 216 of the Customs Act No. 7 of 2013, I, the Honourable MAKI SIMELUM, Minister of Finance and Economic Management, make the following Order.

#### **1 Interpretation**

For the purposes of this Order,

**alcohol** means pure alcohol or crude spirit of a strength not less than 68% by volume which has not been rendered unfit for human consumption and which can be used for making or distilling spirituous liquids;

**ammunition** means ammunition for any firearm as defined in this section and includes grenades, bombs and other like missiles whether capable of use with firearms or not and also includes prohibited ammunition but does not include spears discharged from a firearm solely for the purpose of killing fish;

**explosive** means gunpowder, blasting powder, dynamite, nitro-glycerine, gun-cotton, fulminate of mercury and every other substance not specified, used with a view to produce an effect by explosion and includes detonators, fuse and every accessory composed of a detonating or inflammable substance used to produce explosions and includes crackers and rockets;

**animal** means any living stage of any member of the animal kingdom except human beings and includes arachnids, birds, crustaceans, fish, insects and reptiles and also any fertilised egg or ovum;

**animal product** means any part of the animal including the flesh, wool, hair, skin, hide, bones, horns, hooves, feathers, and other portions of the carcass and viscera, blood, milk, fluids, semen, excreta and any product that is wholly or partly derived from an animal or any part of an animal;

**biological products** means any substance, chemical, organism or micro-organism having a biological effect on animals or their products, and includes drugs, medicines and remedies, hormones, growth promotants and antibiotics and any protozoa, fungi, bacteria, viruses or parasites capable of causing any disease in animals (or if dead was so capable when living);

**description and presentation** with which wine is sold, exported or imported means a reference to all names (including business names) or other descriptions, references (including addresses), signs, designs and trade marks used to distinguish the wine and appearing:

- (a) on the container (including on the device used to seal the container or on a label affixed to the container), on any tag attached to the container or, if the container is a bottle, on the sheathing covering the neck of the bottle; or
- (b) on protective wrappings (such as papers and straw envelopes of all kinds), cartons and cases used in the packaging of the wine or the transport of the wine; or
- (c) in documents relating to the transport of the wine or in other commercial documents (for example, invoices or delivery notes) relating to the sale or transport of the wine; or
- (d) in advertisements relating to the wine.

**firearms** means any lethal barrelled weapon of any description from which any shot, bullet, cartridges, shells or other missile can be discharged, and includes any air weapon, any prohibited weapon, any component part of any such lethal barrelled weapon, air weapon or prohibited weapon and any accessory to any such weapon designed or adapted to diminish the noise or flash caused by firing the weapon;

**geographical indication**, for wine, means:

- (a) a word or expression used in the description and presentation of the wine to show the country, region or locality where the wine originated; or
- (b) a word or expression used in the description and presentation of the wine to suggest that the wine has a particular quality, reputation or characteristic

because it originated in the country, region or locality indicated by the word or expression;

**motor vehicle** means every vehicle driven by automotive power, combustion engine or electrical power;

**obscene material** means publications and any other goods including computer games, computer generated images or film which describes, depicts expresses or otherwise deals with matters of sex, drug misuse, crime, cruelty, blasphemy, violence or revolting or abhorrent phenomena in such a way that they offend against the standards of morality, decency and propriety generally accepted by the Vanuatu community;

**offensive weapon** includes flick knife means any knife which has a blade which opens automatically by hand pressure applied to a button, spring or other device in or attached to the handle of the knife;

**gravity knife** means any knife which has a blade which is released from the handle or sheath thereof by the force of gravity or the application of centrifugal force and which, when released, is locked in place by means of a button, spring, lever or other device;

**knuckle-duster** means any solid contraption designed or adapted to be gripped in the fist and equipped with any projection or flat striking surface peculiarly adapted for causing injury to the person;

**pesticide** means any substance or mixture of substances for preventing, repelling, destroying or controlling any pest, and shall include substances intended for use as an insect growth regulator, a biopesticide, a plant-growth regulator, defoliant, desiccant, or agent for thinning fruit or preventing the premature fall of fruit, and substances applied to crops either before or after harvest to protect the commodity from deterioration during storage and transport;

**plants** means:

- (a) live plants or any parts thereof including seeds, tubers, bulbs, ryzomes, shoots, suckers, cuttings, grafts, flowers and fruit;
- (b) dry plants including straw, hay or fodder whether or not from packing or powder;
- (c) any other matter capable of containing organisms dangerous to cultivation including soil, compost, and manure;

**wine** means an alcoholic beverage produced by the complete or partial fermentation of fresh grapes or products derived solely from fresh grapes, or both.

## **2 Goods prohibited from importation**

A person must not import the following goods into Vanuatu:

- (a) absinthe;
- (b) beef in any form originating from Europe as set out under the Food (Control) Act [CAP 228] (Prohibition of Beef from Europe Order No. 53 of 2001);
- (c) copra;!
- (d) any obscene material as described in the Obscenity Act [CAP 73];
- (e) any offensive weapon as defined in the Restriction of Offensive Weapons Act [CAP 54] 1969;
- (f) any ozone-depleting substances and synthetic greenhouse gases as set out in the Ozone Layer Protection Act No. 27 of 2010, including but not limited to any of the following chemicals whether alone or in a mixture:
  - (i) chlorofluorocarbons;
  - (ii) halons;
  - (iii) carbon tetrachlorides;
  - (iv) methyl chloroforms;
  - (v) hydrobromofluorocarbons.
- (g) wine with a false description and presentation as provided for in the Geographical Indications (Wine) Act [CAP 269].

### 3 Restricted goods

- (1) A person must not import the following goods into Vanuatu unless he or she has been issued a permit or license by the relevant issuing authority:

	<b>Goods restricted from importation</b>	<b>Authority responsible for issuing import permit or license</b>
(a)	Alcohol – <i>Alcohol Importation Act [CAP 8]</i>	Minister of Finance and Economic Management
(b)	Ammunition – <i>Firearms Act [CAP 198]</i>	Firearm Licensing Officer, Vanuatu Police Force
(c)	Animals and biological products - ( <i>Animal Importation &amp; Quarantine Act [CAP 201]</i> )	Principle Veterinary Officer
(d)	Currency or negotiable bearer instruments not less than the equivalent of VT1,000,000 ( <i>Proceeds of Crime Act [CAP 284]</i> )	Financial Intelligence Unit
(e)	Drugs listed in Schedule 1 - ( <i>Dangerous Drugs Act [CAP 12]</i> )	Minister of Health
(f)	Devices and nets designed for trapping birds c - ( <i>Wild Bird (Protection) Act [CAP 30]</i> )	Director of the Department of Agriculture
(g)	Explosives - ( <i>Explosives Act [CAP 6]</i> )	Minister of Internal Affairs
(h)	Fauna and Flora - ( <i>International Trade (Fauna and Flora) Act [CAP 210]</i> )	Minister of Lands
(i)	Firearms - ( <i>Firearms Act [CAP 198]</i> )	Firearms Licensing Officer, Vanuatu Police Force
(j)	Food which is considered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. injurious to health;</li> <li>ii. unfit for human consumption;</li> <li>iii. unclean, putrid, decayed or diseased animal products;</li> <li>iv. decayed or insect infested vegetable products;</li> <li>v. adulterated.</li> </ul> ( <i>Food (Control) Act [CAP 228]</i> )	Chief Food Authority
(k)	Right-hand drive motor vehicles - ( <i>Import of Motor Vehicles (Control) Act [CAP 221]</i> )	Minister of Internal Affairs
(l)	Pesticides - ( <i>Pesticides (Control) Act [CAP 226]</i> )	Pesticides Committee
(m)	Plants and Plant products - ( <i>Plant Protection Act [CAP 239]</i> )	Minister of Agriculture
(n)	Whiskey or product purporting to be whiskey that has been stored in wood for more than 3 years - ( <i>Immature Whiskey (Prohibition) Act [CAP 7]</i> )	Director of Customs

(o)	<p>Any of the following chemicals whether alone or in a mixture:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) hydrochlorofluorocarbons;</li> <li>(ii) methyl bromide;</li> <li>(iii) bromochloromethane;</li> <li>(iv) hydrofluorocarbons;</li> <li>(v) perfluorocarbons.</li> </ul>	
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- (2) Drugs listed in item (1)(e) does not include preparations carried into Vanuatu for personal use if the preparation is:
- (a) for personal use; and
  - (b) of a reasonable amount; and
  - (c) accompanied by a letter from a medical practitioner from the person's country of origin; and
  - (d) appropriately labelled.

#### **4 Commencement**

This Order commences on the day on which it is made.

## **SCHEDULE 1**

### **LIST OF DRUGS RESTRICTED FROM IMPORTATION INTO VANUATU**

- (1) Abrus precatorius (Jequirity) seed or root for therapeutic use
- (2) Acetorphine
- (3) Acetyl-alpha-methylfentanyl
- (4) Acetyldihydrocodeine except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act
- (5) Acetyldihydrocodeinone
- (6) Acetylmethadol
- (7) Acetylmorphines
- (8) Acorus Calamus (calamus) for human therapeutic use
- (9) Alfentanil
- (10) Alkoxyamphetamines
- (11) Alkoxyphenylethylamines
- (12) Alkylthioamphetamines
- (13) Allobarbital
- (14) Allylisopropylacetylurea for therapeutic use
- (15) Allylprodine
- (16) Alphacetylmethadol .
- (17) Alphameprodine
- (18) Alphamethadol
- (19) Alphamethylfentanyl
- (20) Alphamethylthiofentanyl
- (21) Alphaprodine
- (22) Alprazolam
- (23) Amidone
- (24) 2-amino-1-(2,5-dimethoxy-4-methyl) phenylpropane (STP or DOM)
- (25) 5-(2-aminopropyl)indan & substituted 5-(2-aminopropyl) indans except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act.
- (26) Aminophenazone (amidopyrine) except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act [CAP 48]
- (27) Aminorex
- (28) Amobarbital
- (29) Amphetamine
- (30) Amygdalin for therapeutic use

- (31) *Anchusa officinalis* for therapeutic use
- (32) Anileridine.
- (33) *Aristolochia* spp - for therapeutic use
- (34) Aristolochic acid(s) for human therapeutic use
- (35) *Asaram* spp. containing aristolochic acid(s) for human therapeutic use
- (36) *Azadirachta indica* (neem) including its extracts and derivatives, in preparations for human internal use except, debitterised neem seed oil
- (37) Barbital
- (38) Benzfetamine
- (39) Benzethidine
- (40) Benzylmorphine
- (41) Betacetylmethadol
- (42) Betahydroxy-3-methylfentanyl
- (43) Betahydroxyfentanyl
- (44) Betameprodine
- (45) Betamethadol
- (46) Betaprodine
- (47) Bezitramide
- (48) Bithional for human therapeutic use
- (49) *Borago officinalis* (Borage) for therapeutic use except the fixed oil derived from the seeds of *Borago officinalis*
- (50) *Bragantia* spp. Containing aristolochic acid(s) for human therapeutic use
- (51) Bromazepam
- (52) 4-bromo-2,5-dimethoxyphenethylamine (BDMPEA)
- (53) Brotizolam
- (54) Buclosamide for therapeutic use
- (55) Bufotenine
- (56) Buniodyl sodium for therapeutic use
- (57) Buprenorphine
- (58) Butalbital
- (59) Butobarbitone
- (60) Butorphanol
- (61) *Cacalia* spp. for therapeutic useCamazepam
- (62) Cannabis
- (63) Cannabis resin and preparations of which the resin forms the base.
- (64) Carfentanyl
- (65) Cathine

- (66) Cathinone (including khat)
- (67) Chlordiazepoxide
- (68) Chlorphentermine
- (69) Cinchophen and its derivatives for therapeutic use
- (70) Clioquinol and other halogenated derivatives of 8-hydroxyquinolone for human internal use
- (71) Clobazam
- (72) Clonitazene
- (73) Clorazepate
- (74) Clotiazepam
- (75) Cloxazolam
- (76) Coal tar for cosmetic use other than in therapeutic goods
- (77) Coca leaf
- (78) Cocaine
- (79) Codeine except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act
- (80) Codeine-n-oxide
- (81) Codoxime
- (82) Concentrate of poppy straw
- (83) Conium maculatum (coniine) for therapeutic use
- (84) Cotarnine for therapeutic use
- (85) Crotalaria spp. for therapeutic use
- (86) Croton tiglium for therapeutic use
- (87) 4-cyano-2-dimethylamino-4,4-diphenylbutane
- (88) Cyclobarbital
- (89) Cynoglossum spp for therapeutic use
- (90) Delorazepam
- (91) Desomorphine
- (92) Dexamphetamine
- (93) Dextromoramide
- (94) Dextropropoxyphene except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act
- (95) Diacetylmorphine (diamorphine or heroin)
- (96) Diampromide
- (97) Dicophane (DDT) for therapeutic use
- (98) Diethylphthalate in sunscreens or personal insect repellents for human use except in preparations containing 0.5% or less of diethylphthalate.
- (99) Diethylthiambutene
- (100) Diethyltryptamine (DET)

- (101) Difenoxin
- (102) Dihydrocodeine except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act
- (103) Dihydrocodeinone (dicodide)
- (104) Dihydromorphine
- (105) Dihydromorphinone (dilaudide)
- (106) Dihydrooxycodone (eucodal)
- (107) Di-iodohydroxyquinolone (iodoquinol) for human internal use
- (108) Dimenoxadol
- (109) Dimepheptanol
- (110) 2,5-dimethoxyamphetamine (DMA)
- (111) 2,5-dimethoxy-4-bromoamphetamine (DOB)
- (112) 2,5-dimethoxy-4-ethyl- $\alpha$ -amphetamine (DOET)
- (113) 3-[2-dimethylaminoethyl]-4-hydroxyindole (Psilocine or Psilocin)
- (114) 3-(1,2-dimethylheptyl)-1-hydroxy-7, 8, 9,10-tetrahydro-6,6,9-trimethyl -6H-dibenzo(b,d)pyran (DMHP)
- (115) Dimethylphthalate in sunscreens or personal insect repellents for human use except in preparations containing 0.5% or less of dimethylphthalate
- (116) Dimethylthiambutene
- (117) N,N-Dimethyltryptamine (DMT)
- (118) Dioxaphetyl Butyrate
- (119) Diphenoxylate except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act
- (120) Dipipanone
- (121) Dronabinol
- (122) Drotebanol
- (123) Dulcin for therapeutic use
- (124) Ecgonine
- (125) Ephedrine except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act
- (126) Estazolam
- (127) Ethchlorvynol
- (128) Ethinamate
- (129) Ethylloflazepate
- (130) Ethylamphetamine
- (131) Ethylhexanediol for human use
- (132) Ethylmethylthiambutene
- (133) Ethylmorphine (dionine) except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act [CAP 48]
- (134) Eticyclidine (PCE)

- (135) Etilamfetamine
- (136) Etonitazene
- (137) Etorphine
- (138) Etoxidine
- (139) Etryptamine
- (140) Eupatorium cannabinum (Hemp Agrimony) for therapeutic use
- (141) Farfugium japonicum for therapeutic use
- (142) Fencamfamin
- (143) Fenetylline
- (144) Fenproporex
- (145) Fentanyl
- (146) Fludiazepam
- (147) Flunitrazepam
- (148) Flurazepam
- (149) Furethidine
- (150) Gamma – hydroxybutyrate (GHB)
- (151) Gluthethimide
- (152) Halazepam
- (153) Haloxazolam
- (154) Harmala alkaloids except in herbs, or preparations, for therapeutic use:
  - (i) containing 0.1 per cent or less harmala alkaloids; or
  - (ii) in divided preparations containing 2mg or less of harmala alkaloids per recommended daily dose.
- (155) 3-hexyl-1-hydroxy-7,8,9,10-tetrahydro-6,6,9-trimethyl-6H-dibenzo(b,d)pyran (Parahexyl)
- (156) Heliotropium spp. for therapeutic use
- (157) Hydrocodone
- (158) Hydromorfinol
- (159) Hydromorphone
- (160) 4-hydroxybutanoic acid & its salts
- (161) Hydroxypethidine
- (162) Isoamidone
- (163) Isomethadone
- (164) Juniperus sabine (savin(e)) for therapeutic use
- (165) Ketazolam
- (166) Ketobemidone
- (167) Lefetamine

- (168) Levamphetamine
- (169) Levomethamphetamine
- (170) Levomethorphan
- (171) Levomoramide
- (172) Levophenacymorphan
- (173) Levorphanol.
- (174) Ligularia dentate for therapeutic use
- (175) Loprazolam
- (176) Lormetazepam
- (177) Lysergic acid
- (178) Lysergide
- (179) Mazindol
- (180) Mecloqualone
- (181) Medazepam
- (182) Mefenorex
- (183) Meprobamate
- (184) Mesocarb
- (185) Metazocine
- (186) Methadol
- (187) Methadone
- (188) Methadyl acetate
- (189) Methamphetamine
- (190) Methamphetamine racemate
- (191) Methaqualone
- (192) Methcathinone
- (193) 4-methoxy-a-methylphenylethylamine (PMA)
- (194) 5-methoxy-3,4-methylenedioxyamphetamine (MMDA)
- (195) Methyl(2S,4aR,6aR,7R,9S,10aS,10bR)-9-acetoxy-6a,10b-dimethyl-4,10-dioxo-dodecahydro-2-(3-furyl)-2H-naphtha (2,1-c)pyran-7-carboxylate (salvorin A)
- (196) 4-methylaminorex
- (197) 3,4-methylenedioxyamphetamine (MDA)
- (198) Methyldesorphine
- (199) Methyldihydromorphine
- (200) Methyldihydromorphone (commonly known as Metopon),
- (201) 3,4-methylenedioxy-N,a-dimethylphenylethylamine (MDMA)
- (202) 3-methylfentanyl

- (203) Methymorphine
- (204) 2-methyl-3-morpholino-1,1-diphenylpropane carboxylic acid (moramide intermediate)
- (205) Methylphenidate
- (206) Methylphenobarbital
- (207) 1-methyl-4-phenyl-4-piperidinol propionate (MPPP)
- (208) 4-methylthioamphetamine (4-MTA)
- (209) 3-methylthiofentanyl
- (210) Methyprylon
- (211) Mitagynine
- (212) Morpheridine
- (213) Morphine
- (214) Morphine methobromide
- (215) Morphine-N-oxide
- (216) Morphine-N-oxide
- (217) Muscimol
- (218) Myrophine
- (219) N-[alpha-methyl-3,4-(methylenedioxy)phenethyl]hydroxylamine (N-hydroxy MDA)
- (220) Nabilone
- (221) N-ethyl-methylenedioxyamphetamine (otherwise known as N-ethyl MDA)
- (222) Nicocodine except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act
- (223) Nicodicodine except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act
- (224) Nicomorphine
- (225) Nimetazepam
- (226) N-methyl-1- (3,4-methylenedioxyphenyl)-2-butamine (MBDB)
- (227) Noracymethadol
- (228) Norcodeine except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act [CAP 48]
- (229) Nordazepam
- (230) Norlevorphanol
- (231) Normethadone
- (232) Normorphine
- (233) Norpipanone
- (234) Opium and opium poppy seeds and straw
- (235) Oxazolam
- (236) Oxycodone

- (237) Oxymorphone
- (238) Oxyphenisatin for therapeutic use
- (239) Para-fluorofentanyl
- (240) Pemoline
- (241) Pentazocine
- (242) Pentobarbitone
- (243) Petasites spp. for therapeutic use
- (244) Pethidine
- (245) Pethidine intermediate A (otherwise known as 4-cyano-1-methyl-4-phenylpiperidine)
- (246) Pethidine intermediate B (otherwise known as 4-phenylpiperidine-4-carboxylic acid ethyl ester)
- (247) Pethidine intermediate C (otherwise known as 1-methyl-4-phenylpiperidine-4-carboxylic acid)
- (248) Phenadoxone
- (249) Phenampromide
- (250) Phenazocine
- (251) Phencyclidine (PCP)
- (252) Phendimetrazine
- (253) Phenmetrazine
- (254) Phenobarbital
- (255) Phenomorphan
- (256) Phenoperidine
- (257) Phenteramine
- (258) 1-phenylethyl-4-phenyl-4-piperidinol acetate (PEPAP)
- (259) Phenylenediamines in preparations for skin colouration
- (260) Phenylpropanol
- (261) Pholcodine except when included in the Sale of Medicines Act [CAP 48]
- (262) Piminodine
- (263) Pinazepam
- (264) Pipradrol
- (265) Piritramide
- (266) Prazepam
- (267) Proheptazine
- (268) Properidine
- (269) Propiram
- (270) Propoxyphene

- (271) Psilocine [ 3-(2-demethylaminoethyl)-4-hydroxyindole ]
- (272) Psilocybine
- (273) Psilotsin
- (274) Pteridium spp. for therapeutic use
- (275) Pulmonaria spp. for therapeutic use
- (276) Pyrovalerone
- (277) Quinalbarbitone
- (278) Racemethorphan
- (279) Racemoramide
- (280) Racemorphan
- (281) Remifentanil
- (282) Rolicyclidine (PHP, PCPV)
- (283) Safrole for internal use
- (284) Salvia Divinorum
- (285) Secobarbital
- (286) Secbutabarbital
- (287) Senecio spp. for therapeutic use
- (288) Silicones for tissue augmentation by injection
- (289) Sufentanil
- (290) Symphytum spp. (Comfrey) for therapeutic or cosmetic use
- (291) Tenocyclidine (TCP)
- (292) Tetrahydrocannabinols
- (293) Tetrazepam
- (294) Thebacon
- (295) Thebaine
- (296) Thiofentanyl
- (297) Tilidine
- (298) Triazolam
- (299) 1,1,1-Trichloroethane in pressurised spray packs for therapeutic use
- (300) Trichodesma africana for therapeutic use
- (301) Trimeperidine
- (302) 3, 4, 5-trimethoxy-a-methylphenylamine (TMA)
- (303) 3,4,5-trimethoxyphenethylamine (Mescaline)
- (304) 1-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)-2-aminobutane
- (305) Triparanol for therapeutic use
- (306) Tussilago farfara for therapeutic use

- (307) Vinylbital
- (308) Zipeprol
- (309) Any preparation, admixture, extract or other substances (including salts and derivatives) containing any proportion of any of the substances mentioned in this section, except when separately specified in the Sale of Medicines Act [Cap. 48].
- (310) Any narcotic drug, as defined by the United Nations International Narcotic Control Board, except when separately specified in the Sale of Medicines Act [Cap. 48].
- (311) Any psychotropic drug, as defined by the United Nations International Narcotic Control Board, except when separately specified in the Sale of Medicines Act [CAP 48].