



**BERMUDA  
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**IMMATURE SPIRITS RESTRICTION ACT 1921**

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

1	Restriction on release by Customs of immature spirits	2	Savings
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[8 June 1921]

*[preamble and words of enactment omitted]*

**Restriction on release by Customs of immature spirits**

1 (1) No spirits imported into Bermuda shall be released by the Customs Department or delivered out of bond for consumption in Bermuda unless they have been warehoused for a period of at least three years subject to the payment of duty and to compliance with such conditions as the Collector of Customs may impose.

(2) The restrictions imposed by subsection (1) shall not apply to imported gin, Geneva, Schnapps, rum, alcohol, denatured alcohol, and methylated spirits, and foreign liquors.

(3) Any period which, in the case of imported spirits, is shown to the satisfaction of the Collector of Customs to have elapsed between the dates of distillation and importation shall be treated, for the purposes of this Act, as a period during which the spirits have been warehoused.

**Savings**

2 Nothing in this Act shall interfere with the supply of rectified spirits of wine for the purpose of making medicine to any registered medical practitioner, to any hospital, residential care home, nursing

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home, clinic or dispensary, or to any person entitled to carry on the business of a chemist and druggist in Bermuda.

*[Section 2 amended by 1999:28 s.27 & Sch effective 27 April 2001]*

### **Offences**

3 (1) Any person who procures, or attempts to procure, the delivery of spirits in contravention of this Act, or who fails to comply with any conditions imposed by the Collector of Customs in pursuance of this Act, commits an offence against this Act:

Punishment on summary conviction: a fine of the level 4 amount.

(2) Any spirits so delivered may be seized by a customs officer and shall be forfeited.

*[Section 3 subsection (1) penalty on standard scale substituted for amount in \$ by 2004:6 s.18 & Sch 2 effective 26 March 2004]*

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*[Amended by:*

1949 : 26

1952 : 3

1952 : 11

1952 : 22

1971 : 83

1999 : 28

2004 : 6]

*[This Act, originally of limited duration, was continued in force indefinitely by 1935:52]*