

DIRECTIVE No. 7

Relief of Duty on Alcoholic Products used in Food Preparation

Issued by the Agent of the Impôts on the 1st January 2021

The Agent of the Impôts, under powers granted him under Article 9 of the Excise Duty (Relief and Drawback) (Jersey) Order 2000 hereby issues this Directive.

This Directive is designed to produce a relief from excise duty on alcohol products which contain condiments, which are not intended for beverage use and which are to be used in the manufacture of other goods; namely food processing.

1. Introduction

Article 4 (c) of the Order states that relief from excise duty shall be allowed on - spirits, wines, cider or beer used in the manufacture of other goods, whether or not those goods are liable to excise duty.

Article 9 (3) of the Order states that the Agent of the Impôts may give further directions for the administration of any relief or drawback allowed under this order and may impose such conditions as he thinks fit.

2. Penalties

Under Article 42 (2) (b) of the Customs and Excise Law (Jersey) 1999 it is 'an offence for any person to do anything whereby any person may obtain a reliefwhich is not allowable'.

Article 42 (3) states "Any person guilty of an offence under paragraph (1) or (2) –

(a) if the offence was committed with intent to defraud the States, shall be liable to a fine or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding two years, or to both; or (b) if the offence was committed without such intent, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding three times the amount of duty to which the goods are liable or level 3 on the standard scale, whichever is the greater".

3. Enactment

This Directive shall have effect from 1st January 2021 and will at that time revoke the previous Agent's Directive No. 7, dated 10th February 2014.

The Agent of the Impôts reserves the right, unequivocally, to amend or withdraw, without prior notice, any rules and concessions contained in this Directive.

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1st January 2021