

Customs Consolidation Act 1876

1876 CHAPTER 36

AS TO THE IMPORTATION, PROHIBITION, ENTRY, EXAMINATION, LANDING, AND WAREHOUSING OF GOODS.

As to the time within which goods shall be entered and landed after the arrival of the importing ship

73 Goods not entered within fourteen days may be conveyed to Queen's warehouse. Small packages or quantities of goods may be deposited in Queen's warehouse. If duties and charges on such goods be not paid within three months, the goods may be sold. Lien for freight payable before delivery of goods from Queen's warehouse.

If the importer of any goods shall not, within fourteen days (exclusive of Sundays and holidays) after the arrival of the ship importing the same, make perfect entry or entry by bill of sight of such goods, or if, having made such entry, he shall not land such goods within such fourteen days or within such further period as the Commissioners of Customs shall direct, the officers of the Customs may convey such goods to the Queen's warehouse ; and whenever the cargo of any ship shall have been discharged within such fourteen days with the exception of only a small quantity of goods, the officers of the Customs may forthwith deposit such remaining goods in the Queen's warehouse; and also at any time after the arrival of such ship may deposit any small packages or parcels of goods therefrom in the Queen's warehouse, there to remain for due entry during the remainder of such fourteen days, except as hereinafter mentioned; and if any goods so deposited in the Queen's warehouse being of a perishable nature shall not be cleared forthwith, or not being of a perishable nature shall not be cleared within three months after such, deposit, or within such further period as the Commissioners may direct, and all charges of removal, freight, and warehouse rent be not paid, such goods may be sold, and the produce thereof paid in discharge of duties, freight, and charges, and the overplus, if any, to the proprietor of the goods on his application for the same; and in case such goods cannot be sold for a sufficient sum to pay the duties and charges, if ordered for sale for home consumption, or the charges if for exportation, the same may, by direction of the Commissioners of Customs, be destroyed; and any officer of Customs having the custody of any goods which shall have come to his hands under the Customs Acts, may refuse delivery

thereof from the Queen's warehouse or other place of deposit until proof be given to his satisfaction that the freight due upon such goods has been paid: Provided that if the importing ship and goods be liable to the performance of quarantine the time for entry and landing of such goods shall be computed from the time at which such ship and goods shall have been released from quarantine.

74 Combustibles not to be deposited in Queen's warehouse.

No goods of a combustible or inflammable nature shall be brought into or deposited in the Queen's warehouse unless with the sanction of the Commissioners of Customs; and if any such goods shall be landed by the officers of Customs under the provisions of the Customs Acts, the same may be deposited in any other available place that such officers may deem fit, and whilst so deposited the same shall be deemed to be in the Queen's warehouse, and be liable to be dealt with, at the expiration of fourteen days, in the same manner as goods of a perishable nature actually deposited in the Queen's warehouse, unless duly cleared or warehoused in some approved warehouse in the meantime; and such goods shall be chargeable with such expenses for securing, watching, and guarding the same until sold, cleared, or warehoused as aforesaid, as the Commissioners shall see fit, and neither the said Commissioners nor their officers shall be liable to make good any damage which such- goods may sustain by reason or during the time of their being so deposited and dealt with as aforesaid.

75 If goods remain on board importing ship beyond fourteen days such ship may be detained for expenses.

Whenever any goods shall remain on board any importing ship beyond the period of fourteen days after the arrival of such ship, or beyond such further period as the Commissioners of Customs may allow, such ship shall be detained by the proper officer of Customs until all expenses of watching or guarding such goods beyond such fourteen days, or such further time, if any, allowed as aforesaid, not exceeding five shillings per diem, and of removing the goods, or any of them, to the Queen's warehouse, in case the officers shall so remove them, be paid, and the like charge per diem shall be made in respect of any derelict or other ship coming, driven, or brought into the United Kingdom under legal process, by stress of weather, or for safety, when it is necessary to station any officer of Customs in charge, either on board thereof or otherwise, for the protection of the revenue, so long as the officer shall so remain.