

SCHEDULES

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POWERS TO SEIZE INVALID PASSPORTS ETC

Powers of search and seizure etc: ports

- 2 (1) An examining officer may exercise any of the powers under this paragraph in the case of a person at a port whom the officer believes to be there in connection with—
- (a) entering or leaving Great Britain or Northern Ireland, or
 - (b) travelling by air within Great Britain or within Northern Ireland.
- (2) The powers are—
- (a) to require the person to hand over all travel documents in his or her possession for inspection by the examining officer;
 - (b) to search for travel documents and to take possession of any that the officer finds;
 - (c) to inspect any travel document taken from the person and to retain it while its validity is checked;
 - (d) (subject to paragraph 4) to retain any travel document taken from the person that the examining officer believes to be invalid.
- (3) The power under sub-paragraph (2)(b) is a power to search—
- (a) the person;
 - (b) anything that the person has with him or her;
 - (c) any vehicle in which the examining officer believes the person to have been travelling or to be about to travel.
- (4) An examining officer—
- (a) may stop a person or vehicle for the purposes of exercising a power under this paragraph;
 - (b) may if necessary use reasonable force for the purpose of exercising a power under this paragraph;
 - (c) may authorise a person to carry out on the officer's behalf a search under this paragraph.