

---

**CUSTOMS (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 2013**

---

An Ordinance to amend the Customs Ordinance 2005

**R. J. CRIPWELL**  
**ADMINISTRATOR**

*25th October 2013.*

**BE** it enacted by the Administrator of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia as follows:—

**1. Short title**

This Ordinance may be cited as the Customs (Amendment) Ordinance 2013.

**2. Commencement**

This Ordinance comes into force on 1 November 2013.

**3. Customs Ordinance 2005 amended**

The Customs Ordinance 2005(a) is amended in accordance with sections 4 and 5.

**4. Section 74 amended (search of persons)**

Section 74(1) is amended by omitting “to whom this section applies by virtue of section 75”.

**5. Section 75 amended (application and definitions of section 74)**

Section 75(1) is repealed.

---

**Notes**

(a) Ordinance 16/05, amended by Ordinances 5/10, 22/12 and 30/12.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

**(This note does not form part of the Ordinance)**

1. This explanatory note relates to the Customs (Amendment) Ordinance 2013 (the “Ordinance”). It has been prepared by the Office of the Attorney-General and Legal Adviser in order to assist the reader of the Ordinance and should be read in conjunction with it.
2. The Ordinance amends the Customs Ordinance 2005 (the “principal Ordinance”).
3. Section 74 of the principal Ordinance gives a customs officer the power to search a person whom the officer has reasonable grounds to suspect to be carrying either an article that is chargeable with any duty or tax that has not been paid or secured or an article with respect to the importation or exportation of which a prohibition or restriction is in force. The amendments made by the Ordinance remove the restrictions on the persons in respect of whom the search may be carried out, with the effect that the search may be carried out in respect of any person in the Areas, provided the customs officer has reasonable grounds to suspect that the person is carrying such an article.