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No. 3 of 1969.

To control the use and supply of offensive weapons.

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MADE by the Resident Commissioners under the provisions of paragraph 2 of Article 2 and Article 7 of the Anglo-French Protocol of 1914.

1. For the purposes of this Regulation the following expressions shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them—

Interpretation.

"flick knife" means any knife which has a blade which opens automatically by hand pressure applied to a button, spring or other device in or attached to the handle of the knife;

"gravity knife" means any knife which has a blade which is released from the handle or sheath thereof by the force of gravity or the application of centrifugal force and which, when released, is locked in place by means of a button, spring, lever or other device;

"knuckle-duster" means any solid contraption designed or adapted to be gripped in the fist and equipped with any projection or flat striking surface peculiarly adapted for causing injury to the person:

Provided that the said expression shall not include any ring which is a bona fide signet or marriage ring or to any ring the projection of which consists of a precious or semi-precious stone or stones or other ornamental object;

"offensive weapon" means any flick knife, gravity knife and knuckle duster; and

"public place" means any highway and any other premises or place to which at the material time the public have or are permitted to have access whether on payment or otherwise.

2. Any person who without lawful authority or reasonable excuse, the proof whereof shall lie on him, has with him in any public place any offensive weapon shall be guilty of an offence and on conviction thereof shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £100 or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding one year or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Prohibition of the carrying of offensive weapons.

3. Any person who manufactures, sells or hires or offers for sale or hire or exposes or has in his possession for the purpose of sale or hire or lends or gives to any other person an offensive weapon shall be guilty of an offence and on conviction thereof shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £200 or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding two years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Prohibition of the supply of offensive weapons.

4. Any person who imports into the New Hebrides any offensive weapon shall be guilty of an offence and on conviction thereof shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £200 or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding two years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Prohibition on the import of offensive weapons.

5. Where any person is convicted of an offence under the sections 2, 3 or 4 the court may make an order for the confiscation of any weapon in respect of which the offence was committed.

Confiscation.

6. This Regulation may be cited as the Joint Restriction of Offensive Weapons Regulation No. 3 of 1969 and shall come into operation on the date of its publication in the Condominium Gazette.

Citation.

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