

POSSESSION LIMIT OF 5 CARTONS OF CIGARETTES

The 2006 Budget announced that similar to other provinces, effective March 7, 2006 the possession limit for tobacco without a valid Tobacco Dealer's Licence or Permit is 5 cartons of cigarettes or 1,000 grams of tobacco.

Persons in possession of quantities of tobacco that exceed these limits are subject to seizure of the excess tobacco and upon conviction are liable for fines and penalties up to \$20,000 and/or 12 months in jail, plus an additional fine of three times the tax on the seized tobacco product.

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