

Canadian Beer - Ontario (in Ottawa)

Diplomatic and career consular officers may purchase tax exempt Canadian beer through the following office:

Brewer's Retail Sales Office
1860 Bank Street
Ottawa, Ontario
Telephone: 733-3020

In Ottawa, missions should obtain the form "Authorization to purchase tax exempt beer" from the above office, and complete the form in duplicate, indicating the brands and quantities required, the names, positions and Ontario Sales Exemption Card numbers of the persons ordering the beer. Diplomatic and career consular officers are only entitled to exemption from provincial sales tax, upon presentation of their tax exemption card, on beer at other Brewer's Retail outlets.

(ii) Quebec

Missions may obtain information on imported brands available and procedures to follow from the following office:

Société des Alcools du Québec,
Service Douanes et Accise,
7500 rue Tellier,
Montréal, Québec
H1N 3M7
Téléphone: (514) 253-0340

2. Transportation

Provincial legislation on liquor and alcohol prohibits their transportation from one province to another.

B. IMMUNITIES

(a) The Vienna Conventions on Diplomatic Relations and on Consular Relations are in large measure an embodiment of current customary international law on the subject of diplomatic immunities. However, its application in Canada proceeds from the Diplomatic and Consular Privileges and Immunities Act. It is to be noted, furthermore, that the persons to whom immunities apply are divided into categories as laid down by the Vienna Conventions. Entitlement to and verification may need to be made. The Office of the Chief of Protocol, Department of External Affairs, should be consulted in any doubtful situation.

Diplomatic and Consular officers who are nationals or permanent residents of Canada shall enjoy only immunity from jurisdiction and inviolability in respect of official acts performed in the exercise of their functions.