# LAWS OF BARBADOS

**SHOPS ACT** 

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### SHOPS ORDER, 1985

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Authority:

This order was made on 1st December, 1985 by the Minister under section 3 of the Shops Act.

Commencement: 1st December, 1985.

1. This Order may be cited as the Shops Order, 1985.

Short title.

2. (1) Subject to this order, the hours during which a shop open may be opened on any day for business, except on a closed day, hours. are between 07:00 hours and 22:00 hours.

- (2) A shop may be open for business during the open hours specified in sub-paragraph (1) on each Sunday during the month of December.
- 3. (1) The open hours specified in paragraph 2 have no Exceptions. application to any of the following:
  - (a) shops engaged in the sale or purchase of any drugs or medicines where
    - (i) the shop is opened for such purpose only, and
    - (ii) the shop is kept closed except for the admission and exit of the customer;
  - (b) businesses engaged in the sale of programmes and refreshments in theatres and other places of licensed public entertainment:
  - (c) shops engaged in the sale of cooked food in respect of the sale or purchase of such food therein and alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverages;
  - (d) clubs;
  - (e) any shop in respect of the sale or purchase of any article required in case of illness of any person or animal if the seller thereof has reasonable grounds for believing such articles to be required for either of these purposes, the reasonableness whereof is to be determined by the Magistrate before whom the case is heard;

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- (f) any shop in respect of the sale or purchase of goods of any kind, sort or description that are required for the use of any ship or aircraft;
- (g) petrol filling stations, motor vehicle and repair service stations, or motor vehicle spare parts shops in respect of the sale of petroleum products, lubricants and accessories required for immediate use in, or for the urgent repair of any vehicle;
- (h) shops engaged in the sale of any newspaper published in Barbados; or
- (i) any shop engaged in the sale of handicrafts of Common Market origin within the meaning of section 6 of the Caribbean Community Act or the products of cottage industry, if the shop is open for such purpose only;
- (j) shops engaged in the sale of bread, milk and milk products, if the shop is open for such purpose only;

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- (k) airport shops and harbour shops.
- (2) This order has no application to hotels, guest houses, and restaurants.

Cleaning of shops.

4. Notwithstanding anything contained in this order, the occupier of a shop may open that shop to permit any person to be in the shop for the purpose of cleaning the same immediately before it is open for business on any day and after the hour at which it is closed on any day, but no other person shall be allowed in the shop and the doors of the shop shall be kept closed.