

writing, package, or article, upon which any tax is imposed by this title, any adhesive stamp or the impression of any stamp, die, plate, or other article provided, made, or used in pursuance of this title; or

**(3) Use of mutilated, insufficient, or counterfeited stamps**

Fraudulently uses, joins, fixes, or places to, with, or upon any vellum, parchment, paper, instrument, writing, package, or article, upon which any tax is imposed by this title,

(A) any adhesive stamp, or the impression of any stamp, die, plate, or other article, which has been cut, torn, or removed from any other vellum, parchment, paper, instrument, writing, package, or article, upon which any tax is imposed by this title; or

(B) any adhesive stamp or the impression of any stamp, die, plate, or other article of insufficient value; or

(C) any forged or counterfeited stamp, or the impression of any forged or counterfeited stamp, die, plate, or other article; or

**(4) Reuse of stamps**

**(A) Preparation for reuse**

Willfully removes, or alters the cancellation or defacing marks of, or otherwise prepares, any adhesive stamp, with intent to use, or cause the same to be used, after it has already been used; or

**(B) Trafficking**

Knowingly or willfully buys, sells, offers for sale, or gives away, any such washed or restored stamp to any person for use, or knowingly uses the same; or

**(C) Possession**

Knowingly and without lawful excuse (the burden of proof of such excuse being on the accused) has in possession any washed, restored, altered stamp, which has been removed from any vellum, parchment, paper, instrument, writing, package, or article; or

**(5) Emptied stamped packages**

Commits the offense described in section 7271 (relating to disposal and receipt of stamped packages) with intent to defraud the revenue, or to defraud any person;

shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$10,000, or imprisoned not more than 5 years, or both.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 853.)

**§ 7209. Unauthorized use or sale of stamps**

Any person who buys, sells, offers for sale, uses, transfers, takes or gives in exchange, or pledges or gives in pledge, except as authorized in this title or in regulations made pursuant thereto, any stamp, coupon, ticket, book, or other device prescribed by the Secretary under this title for the collection or payment of any tax imposed by this title, shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned not more than 6 months, or both.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 854; Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1906(b)(13)(A), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1834.)

**Editorial Notes**

AMENDMENTS

1976—Pub. L. 94-455 struck out “or his delegate” after “Secretary”.

**§ 7210. Failure to obey summons**

Any person who, being duly summoned to appear to testify, or to appear and produce books, accounts, records, memoranda, or other papers, as required under sections 6420(e)(2), 6421(g)(2), 6427(j)(2), 7602, 7603, and 7604(b), neglects to appear or to produce such books, accounts, records, memoranda, or other papers, shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both, together with costs of prosecution.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 854; Apr. 2, 1956, ch. 160, §4(h), 70 Stat. 91; June 29, 1956, ch. 462, title II, §208(d)(3), 70 Stat. 396; Pub. L. 89-44, title II, §202(c)(4), June 21, 1965, 79 Stat. 139; Pub. L. 91-258, title II, §207(d)(9), May 21, 1970, 84 Stat. 249; Pub. L. 94-530, §1(c)(6), Oct. 17, 1976, 90 Stat. 2488; Pub. L. 95-599, title V, §505(c)(5), Nov. 6, 1978, 92 Stat. 2760; Pub. L. 96-223, title II, §232(d)(4)(E), Apr. 2, 1980, 94 Stat. 278; Pub. L. 97-424, title V, §515(b)(12), Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2182; Pub. L. 98-369, div. A, title IX, §911(d)(2)(G), July 18, 1984, 98 Stat. 1007; Pub. L. 99-514, title XVII, §1703(e)(2)(G), Oct. 22, 1986, 100 Stat. 2778; Pub. L. 100-647, title I, §1017(c)(9), (12), Nov. 10, 1988, 102 Stat. 3576, 3577.)

**Editorial Notes**

AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-647, §1017(c)(12), made technical correction to language of Pub. L. 99-514, §1703(e)(2)(G), see 1986 Amendment note below.

Pub. L. 100-647, §1017(c)(9), substituted “6421(g)(2)” for “6421(f)(2)”.

1986—Pub. L. 99-514, as amended by Pub. L. 100-647, §1017(c)(12), substituted “6427(j)(2)” for “6427(i)(2)”.

1984—Pub. L. 98-369 substituted “6427(i)(2)” for “6427(h)(2)”.

1983—Pub. L. 97-424 struck out “6424(d)(2),” after “6421(f)(2),”.

1980—Pub. L. 96-223 substituted “6427(h)(2)” for “6427(g)(2)”.

1978—Pub. L. 95-599 substituted “6427(g)(2)” for “6427(f)(2)”.

1976—Pub. L. 94-530 substituted “6427(f)(2)” for “6427(e)(2)”.

1970—Pub. L. 91-258 inserted reference to section 6427(e)(2).

1965—Pub. L. 89-44 inserted reference to section 6424(d)(2) of this title.

1956—Act June 29, 1956, inserted reference to section 6421(f)(2) of this title.

Act Apr. 2, 1956, inserted reference to section 6420(e)(2) of this title.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-647 effective, except as otherwise provided, as if included in the provision of the Tax Reform Act of 1986, Pub. L. 99-514, to which such amendment relates, see section 1019(a) of Pub. L. 100-647, set out as a note under section 1 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1986 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 99-514 applicable to gasoline removed (as defined in section 4082 of this title as