The Abkari Act 1 of 1077, The Prohibition Act 1950, Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act 1985, The Medicinal and Toilet Preparations (Excise Duties) Act 1955, and The Spirituous Preparations (Inter State Trade and Commerce) Central Act 1955 are the laws administered by the Excise Department. The following are the rules framed under the above Acts, some of which are currently in force. Out of the said rules, some are not being used or enforced as a result of policy changes of successive governments.

2. The Kerala Abkari (Grant of Reward Rules)
4. The Abkari (Expert Committee Rules)
5. The Brewery Rules
6. Foreign Liquor Rules
7. The Kerala Foreign Liquor Rules (Compounding, Blending and Bottling Rules)
8. The Foreign Liquor (Registration of Brand Rules)
9. The Foreign liquor (Storage in Bond ) Rules
10. The Kerala Spirituous Preparations (Control) Rules
11. The Winery Rules
12. Rules regulating the import of Diacetyle morphine
13. The Kerala Liquor Transit Rules
15. The Kerala Distillery and Warehouse Rules
16. Rectified Sprit Rules
17. Tree Tax Rules
18. Cochin Mass Wine Rules
19. Rules for manufacture of jaggery

20. Varnish Rules

21. Tea Cider Rules

22. Disposal of Confiscated Article Rules

23. Kerala Narcotic and Psychotropic Substances Rules

Besides there is Excise Manual published by Government, which can be referred to by the officers while discharging their duties. The legal sanctity of the Excise Manual was upheld by the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in its rulings.