

1979 No. 215

HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

Charges for Drugs and Appliances (Amendment) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 1979

Made 22nd June 1979

Coming into operation 16th July 1979

The Department of Health and Social Services(a) in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 98, 106 and 107 of, and Schedule 15 to, the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(b) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and with the approval of the Department of Finance(a), hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Charges for Drugs and Appliances (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 and shall come into operation on 16th July 1979.

Amendment of regulations

2. The Health and Personal Social Services (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973(c) shall be further amended as follows:

- (a) in regulations 3(1)(b), 3(3), 5(1)(b), 7(1)(b), 7(2)(b) and 7(3) for "£0.20" there shall be substituted "£0.45";
- (b) in regulation 6(4) for "£2.00" there shall be substituted "£4.50" and for "£3.50" there shall be substituted "£8.00";
- (c) in regulation 15(1)(f)(ii)(B)(1) for "£0.30" there shall be substituted "£0.65";
- (d) for Schedules 1 and 2 there shall be substituted the following two Schedules—

"SCHEDULE 1 Regulations 3, 5 and 7

CHARGES FOR ELASTIC HOSIERY

(1)	(2)
<i>Description</i>	<i>Charges</i>
Anklet, kneecap, knee legging, legging, thigh kneecap, thigh legging or thigh piece	£0.50 each
Above-knee stocking, below-knee stocking or thigh stocking	£1.00 each

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 10

CHARGES FOR WIGS AND FABRIC SUPPORTS

(1)	(2)
<i>Description</i>	<i>Charges</i>
Bespoke wig	£17.00
Stock wig	£ 6.00
Fabric support (other than elastic hosiery)	£ 4.50"

(a) Formerly Ministry: see 1973 c. 36 s. 40 and sch. 5 para. 8

(b) S.I. 1972 1265 (N.I. 14)

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 419 (II, p. 2512)

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 22nd June 1979.

(L.S.)

W. Young

Assistant Secretary

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance for Northern Ireland on 22nd June 1979.

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R. McMurray

Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations further amend the Health and Personal Social Services (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973. The amendments increase the charges specified for the supply of drugs and certain appliances under the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972, increase the sums prescribed for the grant of prepayment certificates of exemption from some of those charges and increase the allowance for exemption from those charges on grounds of low income.