

**2015 No. 227**

**DANGEROUS DRUGS**

**The Misuse of Drugs (Amendment No. 2) Regulations  
(Northern Ireland) 2015**

*Made* - - - - *22nd April 2015*

*Coming into operation* - *13th May 2015*

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 7, 10, 22 and 31 of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (a) as adapted by sections 7(9), 31(4) and 38 of that Act and now vested in it (b) and after consultation with the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs in accordance with section 31(3) of that Act.

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Misuse of Drugs (Amendment No.2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 and come into operation on 13th May 2015.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (c) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

**Amendments to the Misuse of Drugs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002**

**2.** The Misuse of Drugs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 (d) are amended as follows.

**3.** In paragraph 1(a) of Schedule 1 (which specifies controlled drugs subject to the requirements of regulations 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 23, 26 and 27)—

(a) after “4-Bromo-2,5-dimethoxy-*a*-methylphenethylamine” insert—

“1-Cyclohexyl-4-(1,2-diphenylethyl)piperazine (MT-45)”;

(b) after “4-Methyl-aminorex” insert—

“4-Methyl-5-(4-methylphenyl)-4, 5-dihydrooxazol-2-amine (4,4’-DMAR)”.

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(a) 1971 c.38 as amended by s.151 of, and Schedule 17 to, the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 c.13.

(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No.504, Article 5(a) and S.I.1999/283 (N.I.1), Article 3(6).

(c) 1954 c.33 (N.I.)

(d) S.R.2002 No.1. Relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2015 No.53, S.R. 2014 Nos 261, 158 and 21, S.R. 2013 Nos.78, S.R. 2012 No 213, S.R.2011 No.153, S.R.2010 Nos. 247 and 148 , S.R.2009 No.390, S.R.2007 No.348 and S.R.2005 No.360

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on  
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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Misuse of Drugs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002, “the 2002 Regulations”. The Schedule to the 2002 Regulations in which a controlled drug is placed primarily affects the extent to which the drug can be lawfully imported, exported, produced, supplied or possessed and dictates the record keeping, labelling and destruction requirements in relation to that drug. The controlled drugs placed in Schedule 1 to the 2002 Regulations are those subject to the tightest controls.

Regulation 3 adds a potent opioid known as MT-45 and a synthetic stimulant known as 4,4'-DMAR to Schedule 1 to the Regulations.

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