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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2000 No. 50**

**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE**

**The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2000**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>8th March 2000</i>
<i>Laid before the Scottish Parliament</i>	- - - -	<i>10th March 2000</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st April 2000</i>

The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by sections 69, 75A(1), 105(7) and 108(1) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978(1), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations:

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2000 and shall come into force on 1st April 2000.

(2) In these Regulations, “the principal Regulations” means the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Regulations 1989(2).

**Amendments to the principal Regulations: amounts specified**

2.—(1) In regulation 3(1)(b) of the principal Regulations (supply of drugs and appliances by chemists), for the figure “£5.90” there is substituted the figure “£6.00”.

(2) In regulation 8(5) of the principal Regulations (pre-payment certificates)—

(a) for the figure “£30.80” there is substituted the figure “£31.40”; and

(b) for the figure “£84.60” there is substituted the figure “£86.20”.

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(1) 1978 c. 29; section 75A was inserted by the Social Security Act 1988 (c. 7), section 14 and amended by the Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c. 49), Schedule 2, paragraph 13 and the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19), Schedule 9, paragraph 19(13) and by the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 (c. 46), Schedule 2, paragraph 50; section 105(7), which contains provisions relevant to the making of regulations was amended by the Health Services Act 1980 (c. 53), Schedule 6, paragraph 5 and Schedule 7 and by the Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983 (c. 41), Schedule 9, paragraph 24, and by the Health Act 1999 (c. 8), Schedule 4, paragraph 60; section 108(1) contains definitions of “prescribed” and “regulations” relevant to the exercise of the statutory powers under which these Regulations are made. The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46).

(2) S.I. 1989/326, relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1990/468, 1990/787, 1991/574, 1992/394, 1993/522, 1994/697, 1995/699 and 2739, 1996/740, 1997/697, 1998/609 and 1999/612.

(3) For Schedules 1, 2 and 3 to the principal Regulations there is substituted those Schedules as set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

**Application**

**3.** These Regulations shall apply in relation to supplies of drugs and appliances made after 31st March 2000 except that—

- (a) the substitution of Schedule 3 by regulation 2(3) above shall apply only where the examination or first examination leading to the supply of the specified appliance takes place after that date; and
- (b) the amendment of regulation 8 (pre-payment certificates) of the principal Regulations by regulation 2(2) above shall apply only where the application referred to in paragraph (1) of the said regulation 8 is received after that date.

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SCHEDULE

Regulation 2(3)

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Regulations 3, 4 and 5

CHARGES FOR ELASTIC HOSIERY

<i>Column 1</i> <i>Specified Appliance</i>	<i>Column 2</i> <i>Specified Sum</i>
Above knee stocking, below knee stocking or thigh stocking	£6.00 each (ie £12.00 per pair)

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 5

CHARGES FOR TIGHTS

<i>Column 1</i> <i>Specified Appliance</i>	<i>Column 2</i> <i>Specified Sum</i>
Tights (per pair)	£12.00

SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 6

CHARGES FOR FABRIC SUPPORTS AND WIGS

<i>Column 1</i> <i>Specified Appliance</i>	<i>Column 2</i> <i>Specified Sum</i>
Surgical Brassiere	£20.30
Abdominal or Spinal Support	£30.50
Stock Modacrylic Wig	£49.90
Partial Human Hair Wig	£131.50
Full Bespoke Human Hair Wig	£192.20”.

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations further amend the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Regulations 1989 (S.I.1989/326) (“the principal Regulations”) which provide for the making and recovery of charges for drugs and appliances supplied by doctors and pharmacists providing pharmaceutical services, and by Health Boards and NHS trusts to out-patients.

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Amendments made to the principal Regulations by regulation 2 and the Schedule increase the charge for items on prescription or supplied to out-patients from £5.90 to £6.00. The charge for elastic stockings is increased from £5.90 to £6.00 each (from £11.80 to £12.00 per pair) and that for tights from £11.80 to £12.00. The charges for partial human hair wigs and modacrylic wigs are increased from £129.00 to £131.50 and from £49.00 to £49.90 respectively. The charge for full human hair wigs is increased from £188.50 to £192.20. The charge for fabric supports is increased from £29.95 to £30.50. The sums prescribed for the grant of pre-payment certificates are increased from £30.80 to £31.40 for a four monthly certificate and from £84.60 to £86.20 for a twelve monthly certificate.