

1979 No. 1535

M E D I C I N E S

**The Medicines (Committee on Dental and Surgical Materials)
Amendment Order 1979**

Made - - - - 26th November 1979

Coming into Operation 1st January 1980

The Secretary of State concerned with health in England, the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with health and with agriculture in Wales and in Scotland, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland and the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, acting jointly, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 4 and 129(4) of the Medicines Act 1968(a) and now vested in them (b) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consulting such organisations as they consider appropriate including those which appear to them to be representative of interests likely to be substantially affected by the following order, hereby make the following order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This order, which may be cited as the Medicines (Committee on Dental and Surgical Materials) Amendment Order 1979, amends the Medicines (Committee on Dental and Surgical Materials) Order 1975(c) (hereinafter referred to as “the principal order”) and shall come into operation on 1st January 1980.

Amendment to Article 2 of the principal order

2. For paragraph (2) of Article 2 of the principal order there shall be substituted the following paragraph—

“(2) The substances or articles referred to in paragraph (1) of this Article are—

- (i) substances or articles which are for dental or surgical use, being—
 - (a) instruments, apparatuses or appliances to which any provision of the Act is applicable, or
 - (b) medicinal products or other substances or articles (not being instruments, apparatuses or appliances) to which any provision of the Act is applicable and in respect of which

(a) 1968 c. 67.

(b) In the case of the Secretaries of State concerned with health in England and in Wales by virtue of Article 2(2) of, and Schedule 1 to, the Transfer of Functions (Wales) Order 1969 (S.I. 1969/388), in the case of the Secretary of State concerned with agriculture in Wales by virtue of Article 2(3) of, and Schedule 1 to, the Transfer of Functions (Wales) (No. 1) Order 1978 (S.I. 1978/272) and in the case of the Northern Ireland Departments by virtue of section 40 of, and Schedule 5 to, the Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 (c. 36), and section 1(3) of, and paragraph 2(1)(b) of Schedule 1 to, the Northern Ireland Act 1974 (c. 28).

(c) S.I. 1975/1473.

neither the Committee on Safety of Medicines(a) nor the Veterinary Products Committee (b) is the appropriate committee within the meaning of section 4(6) of the Act,

whether or not used in conjunction with any other such substance, article, instrument, apparatus or appliance;

- (ii) the substances and fluids described in paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the Medicines (Specified Articles and Substances) Order 1976(c) (substances and fluids for use with contact lenses or blanks).”

Patrick Jenkin,
Secretary of State for Social Services.

9th November 1979.

Nicholas Edwards,
Secretary of State for Wales.

13th November 1979.

George Younger,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

14th November 1979.

In witness whereof the official seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 19th November 1979.

(L.S.) *Peter Walker,*
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Sealed with the official seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 22nd day of November 1979.

(L.S.) *N. Dugdale,*
Permanent Secretary.

Sealed with the official seal of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 26th day of November 1979.

(L.S.) *J. A. Young,*
Permanent Secretary.

(a) S.I. 1970/1257.

(b) S.I. 1970/1304.

(c) S.I. 1976/968.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends the Medicines (Committee on Dental and Surgical Materials) Order 1975, under which the Committee on Dental and Surgical Materials was established, by extending that Committee's functions to cover certain substances and fluids for use with contact lenses for human use or the blanks from which such lenses are prepared.

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