STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1983 No. 1728

MEDICINES

The Medicines (Exemption from Licenses) (Wholesale Dealing) Amendment Order 1983

Made - - - -	21*st November* 1983
Laid before Parliament	30*th November* 1983
Coming into Operation	21*st December* 1983

The Secretary of State concerned with health in England, the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with health and with agriculture in Scotland and in Wales, 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 the powers conferred by section 15(1) 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 appear to them to be representative of interests likely to be substantially affected by the following order in accordance with section 129(6) of the said Act, hereby make the following order:—

Title and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Medicines (Exemption from Licences) (Wholesale Dealing) Amendment Order 1983 and shall come into operation on 21st December 1983.

Amendment of order

2. The Medicines (Exemption from Licences) (Wholesale Dealing) Order 1977(**c**) shall be amended as follows—

(a) for paragraph (2) of article 1 (interpretation) there shall be substituted the following paragraph—

"(2) In this order—

"the Act" means the Medicines Act 1968;

"proprietary medicinal product" and "ready-made veterinary drug" have the same meanings as in sections 7(7) and 8(4) of the Act(**d**).";

and

(b) in article 2 (exemption from wholesale dealer's licences) after the words "proprietary medicinal product" there shall be inserted the words "or a ready-made veterinary drug".

(**a**) 1968 c.67.

(**b**) In the case of the Secretaries of State concerned with health in England and Wales by virtue of S.I. 1969/388, in the case of the Secretary of State concerned with agriculture in Wales by virtue of 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. 1977/1054.

(**d**) Sections 7(7) and 8(4) were inserted by S.I. 1977/1050 and S.R. (N.I.) 1977 No. 170 and amended by S.I. 1983/1724.

Norman Fowler,
Secretary of State for Social Services.

21st November 1983.

George Younger,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

1st November 1983.

Nicholas Edwards,
Secretary of State for Wales.

2nd November 1983.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 26th October 1983.

L.S.

Michael Jopling,
Minister of Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 10th day of November 1983.

L.S.

N. Dugdale,
Permanent Secretary.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 10th day of November 1983.

L.S.

W. H. Jack,
Permanent Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Regulations.*)

These Regulations amend the Medicines (Exemption from Licences) (Wholesale Dealing) Order 1977 which created, in relation to a proprietary medicinal product, certain exemptions from the restrictions in section 8(3)(b) of the Medicines Act 1968. A proprietary medicinal product was defined for the purposes of the 1977 Regulations as having the same meaning as in sections 7(7) and 8(4) of the Medicines Act 1968, which sections were inserted in that Act by S.I. 1977/1050 and S.R. (N.I.) 1977 No. 170.

The Regulations amend the 1977 Regulations so that the exemptions created by those Regulations apply to a proprietary medicinal product, as defined in sections 7(7) and 8(4) of the Medicines Act 1968 as those sections are amended by S.I. 1983/1724 and to a ready-made veterinary drug, as similarly defined (Regulation 2).

The Regulations implement in part Council Directive 81/851/EEC (OJ No. L 317, 6.11.81, p.1) on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to veterinary medicinal products.

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