
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1988 No. 916

DANGEROUS DRUGS

The Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) Regulations 1988

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In pursuance of sections 7, 10 and 31 of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971⁽¹⁾, after consultation with the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs, I hereby make the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) Regulations 1988 and shall come into force on 13th July 1988.

2.—(1) The Misuse of Drugs Regulations 1985⁽²⁾ shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.

(2) In regulation 6(4), for “Schedule 3” there shall be substituted “Schedule 2 or 3”.

(3) For regulation 14(7) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:

“(7) Nothing in this regulation shall have effect in relation to—

(a) the drugs specified in Schedules 4 and 5 or poppy straw;

(b) any drug specified in Schedule 3 contained in or comprising a preparation which

(i) is required for use as a buffering agent in chemical analysis,

(ii) has present in it both a substance specified in paragraph 1 or 2 of that Schedule and a salt of that substance, and

(iii) is premixed in a kit.”.

(4) In regulation 18(2), after sub-paragraph (a) there shall be inserted the following sub-paragraph:

“(aa) any drug specified in Schedule 3 contained in or comprising a preparation which—

(i) is required for use as a buffering agent in chemical analysis,

(ii) has present in it both a substance specified in paragraph 1 or 2 of that Schedule and a salt of that substance, and

(iii) is premixed in a kit.”.

(5) In paragraph 6 of Schedule 2, after “Propiram” there shall be inserted “Quinalbarbitone”.

(1) 1971 c. 38.

(2) S.I.1985/2066, as amended by S.I. 1986/2330.

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(6) In paragraph 1(b) of Schedule 3, there shall be added at the end the words “not being quinalbarbitone”.

Home Office
24th May 1988

Douglas Hurd
One of Her Majesty’s Principal Secretaries of
State

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Misuse of Drugs Regulations 1985 (“the principal Regulations”).

There are two groups of amendments. The first group (contained in paragraphs (2), (5) and (6) of regulation 2) effects the transfer of quinalbarbitone, a 5,5 disubstituted barbituric acid, from paragraph 1(b) of Schedule 3, to paragraph 6 of Schedule 2, to the principal Regulations and makes a consequential amendment to regulation 6(4) of the principal Regulations extending to Schedule 2 drugs the general authority to supply and possess for the purposes of a pest control licence. The second group (contained in paragraphs (3) and (4) of regulation 2) exempts from regulations 14 and 18 of the principal Regulations (which relate to documentation and labelling) any drug specified in Schedule 3 thereto in a premixed preparation required for use as a buffering agent in chemical analysis.