### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 1990 No. 1124

# **MEDICINES**

# The Medicines (Sale or Supply) (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Regulations 1990

| Made                   | 21st May 1990  |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Laid before Parliament | 24th May 1990  |
| Coming into force      | 18th June 1990 |

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 upon them by sections 1(1), 53(4), 129(1) and (5) and 132(1) of the Medicines Act 1968(a) and now vested in them(b), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf and after consulting such organisations as appear to them to be representative of interests likely to be substantially affected by the following Regulations pursuant to Section 129(6) of that Act, and after consulting and after taking into account the advice of the Medicines Commission pursuant to Section 129(7) of that Act, hereby make the following Regulations:

#### **Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Medicines (Sale or Supply) (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Regulations 1990 and shall come into force on 18th June 1990.

#### **Amendment of Regulation 8**

2. Regulation 8 of the Medicines (Sale or Supply) (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1980(c) (pack size on retail sale or supply of certain medicinal products on a general sale list) shall be amended as follows—

- (a) in paragraph (1) for "paragraphs (2) and (3)" substitute "paragraphs (2), (2A) and (3)"; and
- (b) after paragraph (2) insert the following paragraph—

"(2A) Where tablets for human use containing Bisacodyl are sold by retail in the course of a business elsewhere than at a registered pharmacy or are so offered or exposed for sale by retail or so supplied in circumstances corresponding to retail sale, they shall be presented for sale in a separate and individual container or package containing not more than 10 tablets.".

(c) S.I. 1980/1923, which was amended by S.I. 1982/28.

<sup>(</sup>a) 1968 c.67; section 132(1) is cited for the definition of "prescribed"; and section 1(1) for the definition of "the Ministers".

<sup>(</sup>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); 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).

| Signed by authority of<br>the Secretary of State for Health | ı<br>Virginia Bottomley  |
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| 21st May 1990   | Minister of State, Department of Health                                  |
| 15th May 1990   | David Hunt<br>Secretary of State for Wales                               |
| 16th May 1990   | M. B. Forsyth<br>Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Scottish Office |

In witness whereof the official seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 16th May 1990.



John Selwyn Gummer Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

Sealed with the official seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 18th day of May 1990.



F. A. Elliott Permanent Secretary

Sealed with the official seal of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 21st day of May 1990.



W. J. Hodges Permanent Secretary

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations amend the Medicines (Sale or Supply) (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1980 so as to provide that tablets for human use which contain Bisacodyl and which are on the general sale list may be sold or supplied by retail elsewhere than at a registered pharmacy only in individual containers or packages containing not more than 10 tablets.

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