
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1994 No. 3130

The Vocational Training for General Medical Practice (European Requirements) Regulations 1994

PART I GENERAL

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Vocational Training for General Medical Practice (European Requirements) Regulations 1994 and shall come into force on 1st January 1995.

(2) This Part, Part II, and the Schedule extend to the whole of the United Kingdom.

(3) Part III and regulations 11(3) and 14 extend to England and Wales and to Scotland, but not to Northern Ireland.

(4) Regulations 11(1) and 12 extend to England and Wales only.

(5) Regulations 11(2) and 13 extend to Scotland only.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

“the 1974 Regulations” means the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1974(1),

“the 1979 Regulations” means the National Health Service (Vocational Training) Regulations 1979(2),

“the 1979 Northern Ireland Regulations” means the Medical Practitioners (Vocational Training) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979(3),

“the 1980 Regulations” means the National Health Service (Vocational Training) (Scotland) Regulations 1980(4),

“the 1992 Regulations” means the National Health Service (General Medical Services) Regulations 1992(5),

“certificate of acquired rights” means a certificate issued under article 36(4) of the Medical Directive, to the effect that its holder has an acquired right to practise as a general medical practitioner under the national social security scheme of the issuing State without a vocational training certificate,

(1) [S.I.1974/506](#); relevant amending instruments are [S.I.1978/1762](#), [1985/1625](#) and [1989/1990](#).

(2) [S.I.1979/1644](#), amended by [S.I.1980/1900](#), [1981/1790](#), [1984/215](#), [1985/1353](#), [1986/1642](#) and [1991/406](#).

(3) [S.R.1979 No.460](#); relevant amending instruments are [S.R.1986 No. 69](#) and [1986 No.309](#).

(4) [S.I.1980/30](#); relevant amending instruments are [S.I.1986/1657](#) and [1991/576](#).

(5) [S.I.1992/635](#), to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

“EEA Agreement” means the Agreement on the European Economic Area signed at Oporto on 2nd May 1992 as adjusted by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 17th March 1993,

“EEA State” means a State which is a contracting party to the EEA Agreement but until the EEA Agreement comes into force in relation to Liechtenstein does not include the State of Liechtenstein,

“FHSA” means Family Health Services Authority,

“JCPTGP” means the Joint Committee on Postgraduate Training for General Practice,

“Medical Directive” means Council Directive [93/16/EEC](#) of 5 April 1993 to facilitate the free movement of doctors and the mutual recognition of their diplomas, certificates and other evidence of formal qualifications⁽⁶⁾, certain provisions of which (as they had effect on the date these Regulations were made) are set out in the Schedule to those Regulations,

“vocational training certificate” means a diploma, certificate or other evidence of formal qualifications awarded on completion of a course of specific training in general medical practice and referred to in article 30 of the Medical Directive.

(6) OJNo. L 165, 7.7.1993, p. 1.