2003 No. 611

DANGEROUS DRUGS

The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2003

Made6th March 2003Laid before Parliament11th March 2003Coming into force1st April 2003

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 30, 31 and 37(1) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971(a), after consultation in accordance with section 31(3) of that Act with the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2003 and shall come into force on 1st April 2003.

Amendment of the Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) Regulations 1986

- **2.**—(1) Regulation 3(1) of the Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) Regulations 1986(**b**) shall be amended as follows.
 - (2) In sub-paragraph (a) for "£522" there shall be substituted "£186".
 - (3) In sub-paragraph (b), for "£348" there shall be substituted "£124".
 - (4) In sub-paragraph (c), for "£174" there shall be substituted "£62".
 - (5) In sub-paragraph (d), for "£174" there shall be substituted "£62".
 - (6) In sub-paragraph (e), for "£87" there shall be substituted "£31".

Revocation of Regulations

3. The Regulations specified in the Schedule to these Regulations are hereby revoked.

Home Office 6th March 2003

Bob Ainsworth
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State

⁽a) 1971 c. 38; see the definition of "prescribed" in section 37(1).

⁽b) S.I. 1986/416, as most recently amended by S.I. 1999/741.

SCHEDULE Article 3

| Regulations revoked | S.I. No. |
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| The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1987 | 1987/298 |
| The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1988 | 1988/311 |
| The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1989 | 1989/245 |
| The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 | 1991/339 |
| The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 | 1992/315 |
| The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 | 1993/539 |
| The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 | 1994/535 |
| The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1995 | 1995/506 |
| The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1996 | 1996/596 |
| The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1999 | 1999/741 |
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Section 30 of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 provides that a licence issued by the Secretary of State for the purposes of that Act or of regulations made under it may be issued subject to the condition of the payment of a fee. The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) Regulations 1986, as amended, prescribe the fee payable in relation to a licence to produce, supply, or offer to supply or possess controlled drugs. The present Regulations further amend those Regulations so as to reduce the fees there prescribed. Earlier Regulations setting licence fees are revoked by these Regulations.

