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**THERAPEUTIC SUBSTANCES**
**The Therapeutic Substances (Control of Sale and Supply)  
Regulations 1973**

<i>Made</i>	- - -	<i>2nd May 1973</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>11th May 1973</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>		<i>1st June 1973</i>

Whereas the therapeutic substances hereinafter mentioned appear to the Secretary of State for Social Services, the Secretary of State for Wales, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland (hereinafter called "the Ministers") to be substances which are capable of causing danger to the health of the community if used without proper safeguards:

Now, therefore, the Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 8 of the Therapeutic Substances Act 1956(a), as amended by Article 2(2) of, and Schedule 1 to, the Transfer of Functions (Wales) Order 1969(b) and as having effect subject to the provisions of section 1(1)(a) of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972(c) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, acting jointly, after consultation with the Medical Research Council, hereby make the following regulations:—

*Citation and commencement*

1. These regulations may be cited as the Therapeutic Substances (Control of Sale and Supply) Regulations 1973 and shall come into operation on 1st June 1973.

*Interpretation*

2. The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(d) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of these regulations as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Control of sale and supply*

3. Part II of the Therapeutic Substances Act 1956 (which controls the sale and supply of penicillin and certain other therapeutic substances) shall also apply:—

(a) to sterile aqueous solutions, sterile oily solutions and sterile suspensions of derivatives of stilbene with oestrogenic activity and such solutions and suspensions of esters of such derivatives,

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(a) 1956 c. 25.  
(c) 1972 c. 22.

(b) S.I. 1969/388 (1969 I, p. 1070).  
(d) 1889 c. 63.

- (b) to sterile aqueous solutions, sterile oily solutions and sterile suspensions of derivatives of dibenzyl with oestrogenic activity and such solutions and suspensions of esters of such derivatives,
- (c) to sterile aqueous solutions, sterile oily solutions and sterile suspensions of steroid compounds with oestrogenic activity and such solutions and suspensions of esters of such compounds.

*Keith Joseph,*

Secretary of State for Social Services.

30th April 1973.

*Peter Thomas,*

Secretary of State for Wales.

30th April 1973.

*Gordon Campbell,*

Secretary of State for Scotland.

1st May 1973.

*W. S. I. Whitelaw,*

Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

2nd May 1973.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations bring within the scope of Part II of the Therapeutic Substances Act 1956 (which controls the sale and supply of substances to which that Part applies) the substances specified in Regulation 3.

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