

Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 2(5) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No.

DANGEROUS DRUGS

The Misuse of Drugs Act 1971
(Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2013

Made - - - - - ***

Coming into force in accordance with article 1

At the Court at ***, the ***

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

In accordance with section 2(5) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971(1) a draft of this Order has been laid before Parliament after consultation with the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Accordingly, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by section 2(2) and (3) of that Act, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order as follows:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2013 and shall come into force on the twenty-eighth day after the day on which it is made.

Amendments to the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971

2. The following amendments are made to Schedule 2 to the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971.

3. In Part 3 (which specifies the drugs which are subject to control under that Act as Class C drugs) in paragraph 1(a), after “Ketazolam”, insert—

“Khat.”.

(1) 1971 c. 38. Schedule 2 has been amended by section 21 of the Drugs Act 2005 (c. 17) and S.I. 1973/771, 1975/421, 1977/1243, 1979/299, 1983/765, 1984/859, 1985/1995, 1986/2230, 1989/1340, 1990/2589, 1995/1966, 1996/1300, 1998/750, 2001/3932, 2003/1243, 2003/3201, 2005/3178, 2006/3331, 2008/3130, 2009/3209, 2010/1207, 2010/1833, 2011/744, 2012/1390 and 2013/239.

4. In Part 4 (which sets out the meaning of certain expressions used in that Schedule), after the entry for “concentrate of poppy-straw” insert—

““khat” means the leaves, stems or shoots of the plant of the species *Catha edulis*”.

Richard Tilbrook
Clerk of the Privy Council

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Article 3 of this Order adds khat to paragraph 1(a) of Part 3 of Schedule 2 to the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 which specifies drugs which are subject to control as Class C drugs under that Act. Article 4 defines khat as the leaves, stems or shoots of the plant of the species *Catha edulis*.