

thirty-two of the Medicines, Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Northern Ireland), 1945, do hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. In the First Schedule to the Principal Regulations (which specifies the poisons in respect of which special restrictions as to the persons to whom the poisons may be sold, and special requirements as to the keeping of records or rules, are imposed) after the item "Methadyl Acetate; its salts" there shall be inserted the item "Methylpentynol".

2. In these Regulations the expression "Principal Regulations" means the Poisons Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1954.

3. These Regulations may be cited as the Poisons Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1956, and shall come into operation on the 15th day of March, 1956.

Dated this 29th day of February, 1956.

*George B. Hanna,*

Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland.

REGULATIONS, DATED 31ST JULY, 1956, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTIONS 30 AND 32 OF THE MEDICINES, PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1945(a).

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I, THE RIGHT HONOURABLE TERENCE O'NEILL, D.L., Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland in exercise of the powers vested in me by sections thirty and thirty-two of the Medicines, Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Northern Ireland), 1945, do hereby make the following Regulations:—

APPLICATION AND RELAXATION OF PART III OF THE ACT

*Restriction of sales from retail business premises*

1. It shall not be lawful for any person to sell poisons on any premises used for or in connection with his retail business, notwithstanding that the sale is exempted by section 29 of the Act,

unless he complies with the provisions of paragraph (a) or paragraph (b), as the case may be, of subsection (1) of section 27 of the Act.

Provided that the substances included in the Sixteenth Schedule may be sold by retail, for the purposes shown in that Schedule, from premises licensed under the Poultry Hatcheries Act (Northern Ireland), 1950.

*Extension of labelling provisions and relaxation with respect to poisons in the Second Schedule and consignments to Great Britain*

2.—(1) Subject as hereinafter provided, the provisions of paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 27 of the Act and of Regulations 14 to 19 hereof (which provisions relate to the labelling of poisons) shall apply to sales exempted by section 29 of the Act other than sales of poisons to be exported to purchasers outside the United Kingdom; and shall also apply to the supply of poisons (otherwise than on sale) in like manner as if references in the said provisions to the sale and the seller of poisons included references to the supply and the supplier of poisons respectively.

(2) The said provisions, except the provisions of Regulation 18 and of paragraph (d)(iv) of subsection (1) of section 27 of the Act as modified by Regulation 19 shall not apply to the sale or supply of any of the poisons included in the Second Schedule to these Regulations to a person who—

(a) carries on a business in the course of which poisons are regularly sold by way of wholesale dealing or are regularly used in the manufacture of other articles; and

(b) requires the poison for the purpose of that business; if the outside of the package in which the poison is sold or supplied is labelled conspicuously with words indicating the dangerous properties of the poison.

(3) The said provisions shall not apply to the sale or supply of poisons to be consigned to purchasers in Great Britain if the poisons are labelled in accordance with the corresponding provisions of the law in force in Great Britain relating to the labelling of poisons.

*Limitation of section 27(2) to certain substances*

3. The provisions of subsection (2) of section 27 of the Act (which makes provisions as to persons to whom poisons may be sold and to the keeping of records of sales) shall apply with respect to all substances included in the First Schedule to these Regulations whether or not the poison sold is a poison included in Part I of the Poisons Schedule, and shall not apply with respect to any other substance:

Provided that paragraph (a) of the said subsection (2) of section 27 of the Act shall, in its application to sales by licensees, be deemed to be satisfied if the person to whom the poison is sold is known by the person in charge of the premises on which the poison is sold or of the department of the business in which the sale is effected to be a person to whom the poison may properly be sold.

Provided also that the provisions of the said subsection (2) of section 27 of the Act shall not apply, so far as the poison specified in the first column of the Fifteenth Schedule to these Regulations is concerned, to sales of substances specified in the second column of that Schedule.

*Extension of section 27(2) to sales wholesale, etc., and relaxation of the said subsection*

4.—(1) The provisions of the said subsection (2) of section 27 modified by the last foregoing Regulation shall apply to sales exempted by section 29 of the Act, except sales of poisons to be exported to purchasers outside the United Kingdom; and shall also apply to the supply in the form of a commercial sample, otherwise than on sale, of any substance included in the First Schedule to these Regulations in like manner as if references in the said provisions to the sale and seller of poisons respectively included references to the supply and the supplier of poisons in the form of commercial samples.

Provided that the said provisions shall not apply to the sale or supply of any article by the manufacturer thereof or by a person carrying on a business in the course of which poisons are regularly sold by way of wholesale dealing, if—

- (a) the article is sold or supplied to a person carrying on a business in the course of which poisons are regularly sold or are regularly used in the manufacture of other articles; and
- (b) the seller or supplier is reasonably satisfied that the purchaser requires the article for the purpose of that business.

(2) Paragraph (a) of the said subsection (2) of section 27 shall, in its application to sales exempted by section 29 of the Act and to the supply in the form of commercial samples of substances included in the First Schedule to these Regulations, be deemed to be satisfied if the person to whom the poison or sample is sold or supplied is known by the person in charge of the department of the business through which the sale or supply is effected to be a person to whom the poison or sample may properly be sold or supplied.

(3) So much of paragraph (b) of the said subsection (2) of section 27 as requires an entry in a book to be signed by the purchaser of a poison shall not, as respects the sale of a poison to a person for the purpose of his trade, business or profession, apply if the following requirements are satisfied:—

- (a) the seller must obtain before the completion of the sale an order in writing signed by the purchaser stating his name and address, trade, business or profession, and the following particulars in regard to the article to be purchased, that is to say, its name, the purpose for which it is required and the total quantity to be purchased, or, in the case of an article packed in ampoules, either the said total quantity or the total quantity intended to be administered or injected;

- (b) the seller must be reasonably satisfied that the signature is that of the person purporting to have signed the order, and that that person carries on the trade, business or profession stated in the order, being one in which the poison to be purchased is used;
- (c) if the article sold is sent by post, it must be sent by registered post;
- (d) the seller must insert in the entry prescribed by Regulation 32 of these Regulations the words "signed order" and a reference number by which the order can be identified:

Provided that where a person represents that he urgently requires a poison for the purpose of his trade, business or profession, the seller may, if he is reasonably satisfied that the person so requires the poison and is, by reason of some emergency, unable before delivery either to furnish to the seller an order in writing duly signed or to attend and sign the entry in the book, deliver the poison to the purchaser on an undertaking by the purchaser to furnish such an order within the twenty-four hours next following.

If any purchaser by whom any such undertaking has been given fails to deliver to the seller a signed order in accordance with the undertaking, or if any person for the purpose of obtaining delivery of any poison under the foregoing proviso makes a statement which is to his knowledge false, he shall be deemed to have contravened the provisions of this Regulation.

(4) Where the seller of a poison is reasonably satisfied that the poison is required for the purpose of medical, dental, or veterinary treatment, there shall not apply—

- (a) in the case of a sale to a hospital, infirmary, dispensary or clinic, such of the provisions of this Regulation as require the purchaser to state his trade, business or profession and the seller to be satisfied with respect thereto;
- (b) in the case of a sale of the poison not being a poison to which the Dangerous Drugs Acts apply to a duly qualified medical practitioner, registered dentist or registered veterinary surgeon or registered veterinary practitioner or to a hospital, infirmary, dispensary or clinic, such of the provisions of this Regulation as require the purchaser to state the purpose for which the poison is required.

*Relaxation of section 28(3) in the case of certain medicines*

5. The requirements mentioned in subsection (3) of section 28 of the Act (which requires particulars of medicines supplied or dispensed under that section to be entered in a book) need not be satisfied in the case of:

- (a) any medicine, not being a substance included in the First Schedule to these Regulations, which is supplied by:—
  - (i) a duly qualified medical practitioner for the purposes of medical treatment; or

- (ii) an authorised seller of poisons on and in accordance with a prescription given by a duly qualified medical practitioner; or
- (b) any medicine, notwithstanding that it is a substance included in the First Schedule to these Regulations, which is supplied on and in accordance with a prescription given by a duly qualified medical practitioner upon a form issued by a local authority (whether a local authority as defined in the Act or not) for use in connection with a health service of that authority, provided that the following requirements are complied with:—
  - (i) the prescription or a true copy thereof must be kept upon the premises upon which the medicine was dispensed for a period of at least two years in such a manner as to be readily available for inspection; and
  - (ii) the prescription or copy must bear on it particulars of the date of dispensing, the ingredients and quantity of the medicine supplied and the name of the person by whom, the name and address of the person to whom, and the date on which the prescription was given.

*General exemption of section 28 transactions*

6. Nothing in these Regulations shall apply, except as is expressly provided therein, to transactions exempted by section 28 of the Act.

*Exemption from the provisions relating solely to the First Schedule*

7. Such of the provisions of these Regulations, and of Part III of the Act as modified by these Regulations, as apply solely with respect to the substances included in the First Schedule to these Regulations, shall not apply with respect to—

- (a) machine-spread plasters; or
- (b) surgical dressings; or
- (c) articles containing barium carbonate and prepared for the destruction of rats and mice; or
- (d) corn paints in which the only poison is a poison included in the Poisons Schedule under the heading of "Cannabis"; or
- (e) articles containing zinc phosphide and prepared for the destruction of rats and mice.

*Complete exemption for articles and substances in the Third Schedule*

8. Nothing in Part III of the Act or these Regulations shall apply—

- (a) with respect to any article included in Group I of the Third Schedule to these Regulations; or
- (b) so far as any poison specified in the first column of Group II of that Schedule is concerned, with respect to any of the articles or substances specified in the second column opposite the description of the poison.

## ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS ON THE SALE OF POISONS

*Additional restriction of sale of poisons in the Fourth Schedule*

9.—(1) It shall not be lawful to sell any poison included in the Fourth Schedule to these Regulations, except on and in accordance with a prescription given by a duly qualified medical practitioner, registered dentist, registered veterinary surgeon or registered veterinary practitioner or, so far as the poisons specified in Group B of this Schedule are concerned, also on the order of a certified midwife in the form prescribed by this Regulation:

Provided that where an authorised seller of poisons is reasonably satisfied that a person ordering any such poison is a duly qualified medical practitioner who is by reason of some emergency unable to furnish such a prescription immediately, he may, notwithstanding that no such prescription has been given, if the said person undertakes to furnish him within twenty-four hours next following with such a prescription, deliver the poison ordered in accordance with the directions of the said person, so, however, that, notwithstanding anything in any such directions, the supply shall not be repeated unless such a prescription has been given.

If any person by whom any such undertaking has been given fails to deliver to the seller a prescription in accordance with the undertaking, or if any person for the purpose of obtaining delivery of any poison under the foregoing proviso, makes a statement which is to his knowledge false, he shall be deemed to have contravened the provisions of this Regulation.

(2) This Regulation shall apply to the sale of any such poison, notwithstanding that it is a transaction exempted by section 28 of the Act, but shall not apply to any sale exempted by section 29 of the Act.

(3) For the purposes of this Regulation a prescription shall—

- (a) be in writing and be signed by the person giving it with his usual signature and be dated by him;
- (b) except in the case of a health prescription, specify the address of the person giving it;
- (c) specify the name and address of the person for whose treatment it is given or, if the prescription is given by a veterinary surgeon or practitioner, of the person to whom the medicine is to be delivered;
- (d) have written thereon, if given by a dentist, the words "For dental treatment only" or, if given by a veterinary surgeon or practitioner, the words "For animal treatment only";
- (e) when the medicine is packed otherwise than in ampoules, indicate the total amount to be supplied, and, except in the case of a preparation which is to be used for external treatment only, the dose to be taken;
- (f) when the medicine is packed in ampoules, indicate either the total amount to be supplied or the total amount intended to be administered or injected, and, in either case, the amount intended to be administered or injected in each dose.



(4) The person dispensing the prescription shall comply with the following requirements:—

- (a) the prescription must not be dispensed more than once, unless the prescriber has directed thereon that it may be dispensed a stated number of times or that it may be dispensed at stated intervals;
- (b) if the prescription contains a direction that it may be dispensed a stated number of times or at stated intervals, it must not be dispensed otherwise than in accordance with the direction;
- (c) a prescription which contains a direction that it may be dispensed a stated number of times but no direction as to intervals at which it may be dispensed shall not be dispensed more often than once in three days, and a prescription which contains a direction that it is to be dispensed at stated intervals but no direction as to the number of times that it may be dispensed shall not be dispensed more often than three times;
- (d) at the time of dispensing, or, where a poison has been delivered under the proviso to paragraph (1) of this Regulation on the subsequent receipt of the prescription, there must be noted on the prescription above the signature of the prescriber the name and address of the seller and the date on which the prescription is dispensed; or, as the case may be, the poison was delivered;
- (e) except in the case of a health prescription or a prescription which may be dispensed again, the prescription must, for a period of two years, be retained and kept on the premises on which it was dispensed in such manner as to be readily available for inspection.

(5) (i) For the purpose of this Regulation—an order of a certified midwife shall—

- (a) be in writing and be signed by the person giving it with her usual signature and be dated by her;
- (b) specify the address of the person giving it;
- (c) indicate the total amount of the poison to be supplied.

(ii) The person supplying the order of a certified midwife shall comply with the following requirements—

- (a) the order must not be supplied more than once;
- (b) at the time of supply there must be noted on the order the name and address of the seller and the date on which it was supplied;
- (c) the order must for a period of 2 years be retained and kept on the premises on which it was supplied and in such manner as to be readily available for inspection.

(6) In this Regulation "health prescription" means a prescription given by a duly qualified medical practitioner or registered dentist under and in accordance with the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948(a), or given by a duly qualified medical practitioner upon a form issued by a local authority (whether a local authority as defined in the Act or not) for use in connection with a health service of that authority.

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(a) 1948, c. 3.

*Additional restrictions of sales by authorised sellers of poisons*

10. It shall not be lawful for any authorised seller of poisons to sell any substance included in the First Schedule to these Regulations, notwithstanding that the substance is a poison included in Part II of the Poisons Schedule, unless the sale is effected by, or under the supervision of, a registered person.

*Restriction of sale by registered sellers of Part II poisons*

11.—(1) No person shall be entitled by virtue of being a registered seller of Part II poisons to sell—

- (a) any poison, other than ammonia, except in a closed container as closed by the manufacturer or other person from whom the poison was obtained;
- (b) any substance included in the First Schedule to these Regulations unless the sale is effected by himself or a responsible deputy.

In this paragraph the expression "responsible deputy" means a person nominated as a deputy on the seller's form of application, as hereinafter prescribed, for entry as a registered seller of Part II poisons, or any person substituted, by notice in writing to the local authority, for a person so nominated, and not more than two deputies shall be nominated at the same time in respect of one set of premises.

(2) No person shall be entitled by virtue of being a registered seller of Part II poisons to sell—

- (a) any poison included in the first column of the Fifth Schedule to these Regulations unless the article or substance sold is one of the articles or substances specified against the description of the poison in the second column of that Schedule, and the container of the substance is, in addition to any other direction of the Act or of these Regulations with respect to labelling, labelled clearly with a notice of the special purpose for which the article or substance is intended, and a warning that it is only to be used for that purpose;
- (b) (i) any arsenical poison other than lead arsenates, calcium arsenates and copper acetoarsenites;
- (ii) dinitrocresols (DNC), their compounds with a metal or a base other than winter washes containing not more than the equivalent of five per cent. of dinitrocresols;
- (iii) dinosam, its compounds with a metal or a base;
- (iv) dinoseb, its compounds with a metal or a base;
- (v) any mercuric chloride, mercuric iodide or any organic compound of mercury;
- (vi) any of the following phosphorus compounds, that is to say, demeton, diethyl thiophosphate of ethyl-mercapto-ethanol, dimefox, ethyl-paranitro-phenylbenzene thiophosphonate, mazidox, methyl demeton, 4-methyl-hydroxy-coumarin-diethylthiophosphate, mipafox (except when in

the form of a cap on a stick or wire), paranitrophenyl-diethylphosphate, parathion, schradan, sulfotepp, triphosphoric pentadimethylamide; unless the purchaser thereof is engaged in the trade or business of agriculture or horticulture and requires the poison for the purpose of that trade or business.

*Addition of dye to certain poisons used in agriculture and horticulture (Thirteenth Schedule)*

12. It shall not be lawful to sell any poison included in the Thirteenth Schedule to these Regulations which is intended for use as a weed-killer or in the prevention or treatment of infestation by animals, plants or other living organisms unless there has been added to the poison a dye or other substance which renders it a distinctive colour whether dry or wet or in solution:

Provided that this Regulation shall not apply in the case of—

- (a) poisons which are themselves of a distinctive colour;
- (b) sheep dips which are already of a distinctive colour; or
- (c) articles to be exported to purchasers outside the United Kingdom.

*Restriction of sale of strychnine*

13. It shall not be lawful to sell or supply strychnine except as an ingredient in a medicine:

Provided that this Regulation shall not apply to the sale of strychnine—

- (a) by way of wholesale dealing; or
- (b) to be exported to purchasers outside the United Kingdom; or
- (c) for the purpose of being compounded in medicines prescribed or administered by a duly qualified medical practitioner, registered veterinary surgeon or registered veterinary practitioner; or
- (d) to a person or institution concerned with scientific education or research or chemical analysis, for the purposes of that education, research or analysis;
- (e) to a person producing a written authority in the form set out in the Fourteenth Schedule to these Regulations issued within the preceding three months by the County Agricultural Executive Officer authorising the purchase of strychnine for the purpose of killing foxes so, however, that the quantity sold shall not exceed the quantity, being not more than one ounce, specified in the authority and the authority shall be retained by the seller.

**SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS WITH RESPECT TO LABELLING AND CONTAINERS**

*Manner of labelling containers*

14.—(1) Subject to the provisions of these Regulations particulars with which the container of a poison is required to be labelled under paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 27 of

the Act and under these Regulations must appear in a conspicuous position on the container in which the poison is sold and on every box or other covering of whatever nature enclosing the container, and the particulars must be clearly and distinctly set out and not in any way obscured or obliterated.

(2) Where the poison is contained in an ampoule, cachet or similar article, it shall not be necessary to label the article itself if every box, or other covering in which the article is enclosed, is duly labelled.

(3) Nothing in the said paragraph (d) or in Regulations 14 to 19 shall require the labelling of any transparent cover or any wrapper, hamper, packing case, crate or other covering used solely for the purposes of transport or delivery.

*Labelling of name of poison*

15.—(1) Subject as hereinafter provided, for the purposes of paragraph (d)(i) of subsection (1) of section 27 of the Act and of paragraph (3)(a) of Regulation 24 the name of a poison shall be—

- (a) where the term under which a poison is included in the Poisons Schedule describes the poison specifically,
    - (i) the said term;
    - (ii) the name published by the General Medical Council as the approved name of the poison; or
    - (iii) if the poison is the subject of a monograph in the British Pharmacopoeia or the British Pharmaceutical Codex or the National Formulary, one of the names or synonyms or abbreviated names set out at the head of the monograph;
  - (b) where the said term describes a group of poisons and not the poison specifically,
    - (i) if the poison is the subject of a monograph in the British Pharmacopoeia or the British Pharmaceutical Codex or the National Formulary, one of the names or synonyms or abbreviated names set out at the head of the monograph; and
    - (ii) in any other case, the accepted scientific name or the name descriptive of the true nature and origin of the poison, or the name published by the General Medical Council as the approved name of the poison.
- (2) For the purposes aforesaid it shall, in the case of—
- (a) a substance which is the subject of a monograph in the British Pharmacopoeia or the British Pharmaceutical Codex or the National Formulary or any dilution, concentration or admixture of such a substance;
  - (b) a preparation contained in the British Pharmacopoeia or the General Monographs or Formulary of the British Pharmaceutical Codex or the National Formulary or any dilution, concentration or admixture of such a preparation; or
  - (c) a surgical dressing for which a standard is described in the British Pharmaceutical Codex,

be sufficient, notwithstanding anything in the foregoing paragraph of this Regulation, to state the name, synonym or abbreviated name used to describe the substance, preparation or surgical dressing in the British Pharmacopoeia or the British Pharmaceutical Codex or the National Formulary with the addition of the letters B.P., B.P.C. or N.F., as the case may be.

(3) For the purposes aforesaid it shall, in the case of a preparation containing a poison specified in the first column of the Sixth Schedule to these Regulations, be sufficient, notwithstanding anything in the first paragraph of this Regulation, to state the name of the poison or substance mentioned in the second column of the said Schedule in respect of which the proportion of the poison to the total ingredients of the preparation is in accordance with the provisions paragraph (2) of Regulation 16 expressed.

(4) For the purposes aforesaid it shall, in the case of a preparation derived from nux vomica or from opium and containing one or more alkaloids of nux vomica or of opium named in the Poisons Schedule, be sufficient notwithstanding anything in the first paragraph of this Regulation to state the name of strychnine or morphine, as the case may be, or one of the names or abbreviated names of strychnine or morphine, as the case may be, set out at the head of the monographs in the British Pharmacopoeia or the British Pharmaceutical Codex or the National Formulary.

*Labelling of particulars as to proportion of the poison*

16.—(1) For the purposes of paragraph (d)(ii) of subsection (1) of section 27 of the Act (which requires preparations containing poisons to be labelled with the prescribed particulars as to the proportion of poison therein) the label of the container of any preparation containing a poison as one of its ingredients shall, subject as hereinafter provided, include a statement of the proportion which the poison bears to the total ingredients of the preparation.

(2) In the case of a preparation containing a poison specified in the first column of the Sixth Schedule to these Regulations, it shall be sufficient to state on the label the particulars specified in the second column of that Schedule against the description of the poison.

(3) In the case of a preparation derived from nux vomica or from opium and containing one or more alkaloids of nux vomica or of opium named in the Poisons Schedule, it shall be sufficient, so far as those alkaloids are concerned, to state on the label the proportion of strychnine or of morphine, as the case may be, contained in the preparation.

(4) In the case of a substance, preparation or surgical dressing which is named in accordance with paragraph (2) of the last foregoing Regulation, it shall not be necessary to state on the label the proportion of the poison contained in the substance, preparation or surgical dressing and, in the case of any dilution, concentration or admixture of such a substance or

preparation, it shall be sufficient to state the proportion which the substance or preparation bears to the total ingredients of the dilution, concentration or admixture.

(5) Where the poison is in tablets, pills, cachets, capsules, lozenges or similar articles, or in ampoules, it shall be sufficient to state on the label of the box or other covering in which the articles are enclosed the number of the articles and the amount of the poison, or in the case of such a preparation as is mentioned in the last foregoing paragraph, the amount of the preparation, contained in each article.

(6) Where any preparation is stated as a percentage, the statement shall indicate whether the percentage is calculated on the basis of weight in weight, weight in volume, or volume in volume.

#### *Indication of character of the poison*

17.—(1) In pursuance of paragraph (d)(iii) of subsection (1) of section 27 of the Act (which requires the containers of poisons to be labelled with the word "Poison" or other prescribed indication of character) the container of any article specified in the Seventh Schedule to these Regulations, shall, instead of being labelled with the word "Poison" be labelled with the words specified in the said Schedule as applicable to that article.

(2) The said words or the word "Poison", as the case may be, must not be modified in meaning by the addition of any other words or marks, and—

- (a) in the case of a substance included in the First Schedule to these Regulations, must either be in red lettering or be set against a red background; and
- (b) in all cases must either be on a separate label or be surrounded by a line within which there must be no other words except words with which the container of the poison is required to be labelled under the Act or these Regulations.

#### *Special cautions in the case of certain articles*

18.—(1) It shall not be lawful to sell or supply any poison—

- (a) in the case of a liquid other than a medicine, contained in a bottle of a capacity of not more than 120 fluid ounces, unless the bottle is labelled with the words "not to be taken";
- (b) in the case of an embrocation, liniment, lotion, liquid antiseptic or other liquid medicine for external application, unless the container is labelled with the name of the article and the words "For external use only".

(2) It shall not be lawful to sell or supply any compressed hydrocyanic acid, unless the container is labelled with the words "Warning. This container holds poisonous gas and should only be opened and used by persons having expert knowledge of the precautions to be taken in its use".

(3) This Regulation shall be in addition to the other requirements of the Act and of these Regulations with respect to labelling and shall apply to transactions exempted by section 28 of the Act, but shall not apply to the sale or supply of poisons to be exported to purchasers outside the United Kingdom.

*Name of seller and address of premises*

19.—(1) The provisions of paragraph (d)(iv) of subsection (1) of section 27 of the Act (which requires the container of a poison to be labelled with the name of the seller and the address of the premises on which it was sold) shall not apply in the case of an article sold for the purpose of being sold again in the same container.

(2) The requirements of the said paragraph shall be deemed to be satisfied, in the case of a poison supplied from a warehouse or depot, if the container of the poison is labelled with the address of the supplier's principal place of business or, in the case of a limited company, of the registered office of the company.

(3) Where any poison (other than a substance included in the First Schedule to these Regulations) is sold in a container and outer covering, being the container and covering in which it was obtained by the seller, it shall be sufficient if the name of the seller and the address of the premises on which it was sold appear only on the outer covering.

(4) Where the names of more than one person or more than one address appear on any label, there must also be words on the label indicating clearly which person is the seller and at which of the addresses the poison was sold.

*Form of containers*

20.—(1) It shall not be lawful to sell, whether wholesale or retail, or supply any poison unless—

- (a) it is contained in a container impervious to the poison and sufficiently stout to prevent leakage arising from the ordinary risks of handling and transport; and
- (b) in the case of a liquid contained in a bottle of a capacity of not more than 120 fluid ounces, not being a medicine made up ready to be taken for the internal treatment of human ailments or a local anaesthetic for injection in the treatment of human or animal ailments, the outer surface of the bottle is fluted vertically with ribs or grooves recognisable by touch.

(2) Sub-paragraph (a) of the foregoing paragraph shall apply to transactions exempted by section 28 of the Act, and sub-paragraph (b) shall not apply to the sale or supply of poisons to be exported to purchasers outside the United Kingdom or the sale or supply of poisons to a person or institution concerned with scientific education or research or chemical analysis, for the purposes of that education, research or analysis.

## STORAGE AND TRANSPORT

*Storage of poisons*

21.—(1) It shall not be lawful to store any poison except in a container impervious to the poison and sufficiently stout to prevent leakage from the container arising from the ordinary risks of handling.

(2) It shall not be lawful to store any substance included in the First Schedule to these Regulations in any retail shop or premises used in connection therewith unless the substance is stored—

- (a) in a cupboard or drawer reserved solely for the storage of poisons; or
- (b) in a part of the premises which is partitioned off or otherwise separated from the remainder of the premises and to which customers are not permitted to have access; or
- (c) on a shelf reserved solely for the storage of poisons and—
  - (i) no food is kept directly under the shelf; and
  - (ii) the container of the substance is rendered distinguishable by touch from the containers of articles and substances other than poisons stored upon the same premises:

Provided that, in the case of any such substance to be used in agriculture or horticulture, it shall not be lawful to store the substance on any shelf, or in any such part of the premises as aforesaid if food is kept in that part, or in any cupboard or drawer unless the cupboard or drawer is reserved solely for the storage of poisons to be used as aforesaid.

*Transport of poisons*

22. It shall not be lawful to consign any poison for transport unless it is sufficiently stoutly packed to avoid leakage arising from the ordinary risks of handling and transport.

*Special provisions with respect to the transport of poisons in the Eighth Schedule*

23.—(1) It shall not be lawful to consign for transport by carrier any poison included in the Eighth Schedule to these Regulations unless the outside of the package containing the article is labelled conspicuously with the name or description of the poison as set forth in the said Schedule and a notice indicating that it is to be kept separate from food, and from empty containers in which food has been contained.

(2) It shall not be lawful for any person knowingly to transport any such poison as aforesaid, either on his own behalf or for another person, in any vehicle in which food is being transported, unless the food is carried in a part of the vehicle effectively separated from that containing the poison, or is otherwise adequately protected from the risk of contamination.

(3) This Regulation shall not apply with respect to medicines.



## SPECIAL PROVISIONS WITH RESPECT TO HOSPITALS

*Supply of medicines to out-patients from certain hospitals, etc.*

24.—(1) The provisions of Part III of the Act and of these Regulations, except the provisions of Regulation 18 shall not apply with respect to—

- (a) any medicine for the treatment of human ailments dispensed from a hospital, infirmary or dispensary maintained by any public authority, or out of public funds, or by a charity;
- (b) any medicine for the treatment of animals supplied from a veterinary hospital which is under the superintendence of a registered veterinary surgeon or a registered veterinary practitioner;

if the requirements contained in the following provisions of this Regulation are satisfied in relation thereto.

(2) The medicine must not be supplied except by, or on and in accordance with a prescription of, a duly qualified medical practitioner for the purposes of medical treatment, or a registered dentist for the purposes of dental treatment, or a registered veterinary surgeon or a registered veterinary practitioner for the purposes of animal treatment.

(3) In a case where a substance included in the First Schedule to these Regulations is supplied, a record must be kept on the premises in such a way that there can readily be traced at any time during a period of two years after the date on which the substance was supplied the following particulars—

- (a) the name and quantity of the poison supplied; and
- (b) the date on which the poison was supplied; and
- (c) the name and address of the person to whom the poison was supplied; and
- (d) the name of the person who supplied the poison or who gave the prescription upon which it was supplied:

Provided that this paragraph shall not apply to a medicine supplied on and in accordance with a prescription given by a duly qualified medical practitioner or registered dentist under and in accordance with the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948.

- (4) The container of the medicine must be labelled—
  - (a) with a designation and address sufficient to identify the hospital, infirmary, dispensary or institution from which it was supplied;
  - (b) except in the case of a medicine made up ready for treatment, with the word "Poison";
  - (c) in the case of a poison supplied from a veterinary hospital, with the words "For animal treatment only",

and in the case of a medicine to which Regulation 18 applies the requirements of that Regulation shall be satisfied in addition to the requirements aforesaid.

*Supply of medicines for use in hospitals, etc.*

25.—(1) This and the next following Regulation apply to any hospital, infirmary, dispensary, clinic, nursing home, or other institution at which human ailments are treated (hereinafter referred to as "an institution").

(2) In any institution in which medicines are dispensed in a dispensing or pharmaceutical department in charge of a person appointed for that purpose, no medicine containing a poison shall be supplied from that department for use in the wards, operating theatres or other sections of the institution, except in accordance with the requirements contained in the following provisions of this Regulation.

(3) The medicines must not be supplied except upon a written order signed by a duly qualified medical practitioner, registered dentist, or by a sister or nurse in charge of a ward, theatre or other section of the institution:

Provided that in the case of emergency a medicine containing a poison may be supplied, notwithstanding that no such written order is produced, on an undertaking by the person ordering the medicine to furnish such a said written order within the twenty-four hours next following.

(4) The container of the medicine must be labelled—

(a) with words describing its contents;

(b) in the case of substances included in the First Schedule to these Regulations, with a distinguishing mark or other indication indicating that the poison is to be stored in a cupboard reserved solely for the storage of poisons.

*Storage of poisons in institutions*

26.—(1) In any institution in which medicines are dispensed in a dispensing or pharmaceutical department in charge of a person appointed for the purpose, all poisons other than those issued for use within the institution must be stored in that department.

(2) In any institution to which the foregoing paragraph does not apply all poisons other than those issued for use within the institution must be stored—

(a) in charge of a person appointed for the purpose by the governing body or person in control of the institution; and

(b) in the case of substances which are included in the First Schedule to these Regulations either in a cupboard or drawer, or on a shelf, reserved solely for the storage of poisons and other dangerous substances.

In the case where a poison is stored on a shelf, the container of the poison must be rendered distinguishable by touch from the containers of articles other than poisons stored on the same premises.

(3) In every institution, every substance included in the First Schedule to these Regulations which is stored in the wards must be stored in a cupboard reserved solely for the storage of poisons and other dangerous substances.

(4) All places in which poisons are required by this Regulation to be stored must be inspected at regular intervals of time not exceeding three months by a pharmaceutical chemist or by some other person appointed for the purpose by the governing body or person in control of the institution.

**SALE OF POISONS INCLUDED IN PART II OF THE POISONS  
SCHEDULE BY REGISTERED SELLERS**

*Form of application to a local authority for registration (Ninth Schedule)*

27.—(1) Every application made to a local authority for registration in pursuance of section 30 of the Act shall be made in the form set out in the Ninth Schedule to these Regulations.

(2) A person registered by a local authority shall not be entitled to sell or keep open shop for the sale of poisons, except from or on the premises specified in the form of application within the area of that authority.

*Fees to be paid by registered sellers*

28. The following fees shall be paid to a local authority by every person whose name is entered on the register kept by that authority:—

- (a) in respect of the entry of his name on the register, a fee of ten shillings;
- (b) in respect of making any alteration in the register in relation to the premises on which he is entitled to sell, a fee of two shillings and sixpence; and
- (c) in respect of the retention of his name on the register in any year subsequent to the year in which his name is first entered therein, a fee of five shillings:

Provided that, in the case of a person whose name is entered in or retained on the list as a person entitled to sell on more than one set of premises, the fees payable shall be increased—

- (i) in the case of the entry of his name, by the sum of ten shillings for each additional set of premises on which he is entitled to sell; and
- (ii) in the case of the retention of his name, by the sum of five shillings for each such additional set of premises.

*Form of Register (Tenth Schedule)*

29. Every local authority shall keep a register in the form set out in the Tenth Schedule to these Regulations.

## MISCELLANEOUS

*Manufacture of pharmaceutical preparations*

30.—(1) In all establishments in which pharmaceutical preparations containing any poison are manufactured for the purpose of the internal treatment of human ailments, the preparation must be manufactured by, or under the supervision of—

- (a) a registered pharmaceutical chemist, chemist and druggist or druggist, or
- (b) a person holding the degree of Bachelor of Science (Pharmaceutics), or
- (c) a person having one of the following qualifications in chemistry,
  - (i) the Fellowship of the Royal Institute of Chemistry;
  - (ii) the Associateship of the Royal Institute of Chemistry:

Provided that this Regulation shall not apply to the manufacture by or under the supervision of a duly qualified medical practitioner of preparations containing pituitary, suprarenal or thyroid glands, the active principles of any of those glands or the salts of the active principles of thyroid gland.

(2) In all establishments in which poisons for the treatment of human ailments are sold by way of wholesale dealing, the department in which the poisons are stored must be in the charge of a person holding any of the qualifications set out in the foregoing paragraph (1) of this Regulation and this person must supervise the labelling of all poisons sold or supplied.

*Certificates of persons to whom poisons may be sold. (Eleventh Schedule)*

31.—(1) A certificate given for the purposes of paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 27 of the Act, being a certificate certifying a person to be a person to whom a poison may properly be sold, shall be in the form and shall contain the particulars set out in the Eleventh Schedule to these Regulations.

(2) All householders are hereby authorised to give such certificates as aforesaid:

Provided that a certificate given by a householder who is not known to the seller of the poison to be a responsible person of good character shall not be a sufficient certificate for the purposes of the said paragraph unless it is endorsed in the manner specified in the said Eleventh Schedule by a police officer in charge of a police station.

(3) On any sale of a poison upon such a certificate as aforesaid, the certificate shall be retained by the seller.

*Form of record of sales (Twelfth Schedule)*

32. The particulars of sales of poisons which are required by paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 27 of the Act to be entered in a book shall be entered in the form set out in the Twelfth Schedule to these Regulations.

*Preservation of records*

33. All books kept for the purposes of Part III of the Act shall be preserved on the premises on which the sales recorded therein were made for a period of two years from the date on which the last entry was made therein.

*Interpretation*

34.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meaning hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say—

“the Act” means the Medicines, Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Northern Ireland), 1945;

“Animal” includes poultry;

“Antimonial poisons” means chlorides of antimony, oxides of antimony, sulphides of antimony, antimonates, antimonites, and organic compounds of antimony;

“Arsenical poisons” means halides of arsenic, oxides of arsenic, sulphides of arsenic, arsenates, arsenites, copper acetoarsenites, sodium thioarsenates, and organic compounds of arsenic;

“British Pharmacopoeia”, “National Formulary” and

“British Pharmaceutical Codex” include addenda and supplements thereto respectively;

“Food” includes a beverage;

“Medicine for the internal treatment of human ailments” includes any medicine to be administered by hypodermic injection but does not include any mouth-wash, eye-drops, eye-lotion, ear-drops, douche or similar article;

“Police Authority” means the District Inspector of the Royal Ulster Constabulary;

“Registered Seller” means a person entitled, subject to the provisions of the Act and of these Regulations, to sell poisons included in Part II of the Poisons Schedule by virtue of being registered by a local authority in pursuance of section 30 of the Act;

“Sale exempted by section 29 of the Act” means a sale made in such circumstances as to be entitled, except as provided by these Regulations, to exemption under

section 29 of the Act from the foregoing provisions of Part III of the Act;

“Transaction exempted by section 28 of the Act” means the supply of a medicine in such circumstances as to be entitled to exemption under section 28 of the Act from the provisions of section 27 of the Act.

(2) In these Regulations any reference to an alkaloid shall include a reference to any salt of that alkaloid, and, in a case where the esters of an alkaloid are included in the Poisons Schedule by virtue of the words “its esters”, to any esters of that alkaloid.

(3) Any reference in the Schedules to these Regulations to the percentage of a poison contained in any substance or preparation shall, unless otherwise expressly provided, be construed in the following manner, that is to say, a reference to a substance or preparation containing one per cent. of any poison means:—

- (a) in the case of a solid, that one gramme of the poison is contained in every hundred grammes of the substance or preparation;
- (b) in the case of a liquid, that one millilitre of the poison, or, if the poison itself is a solid, one gramme of the poison, is contained in every hundred millilitres of the substance or preparation and so in proportion for any greater or less percentage.

#### *Revocation*

35. The Regulations set out in the Seventeenth Schedule to these Regulations are hereby revoked.

#### *Citation and commencement*

36. These Regulations may be cited as the Poisons Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1956, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of September, 1956.

Dated this 31st day of July, 1956.

*Terence O'Neill,*  
Minister of Home Affairs for  
Northern Ireland.

## SCHEDULES

## FIRST SCHEDULE

Substances falling within the Poisons Schedule to which special restrictions apply.

ALKALOIDS, the following: their salts, simple or complex; their quaternary compounds

ACETYLDIHYDROCODEINONE

ACETYLDIHYDROCODEINONE; its esters

ACONITE, alkaloids of, except substances containing less than 0.02 per cent. of the alkaloids of aconite

APOMORPHINE except substances containing less than 0.2 per cent. of apomorphine

ATROPINE except substances containing less than 0.15 per cent. of atropine  
BELLADONNA, alkaloids of, except substances containing less than 0.15 per cent. of the alkaloids of belladonna calculated as hyoscyamine

BENZOYLMORPHINE

BENZYL MORPHINE

BRUCINE except substances containing less than 0.2 per cent. of brucine

CALABAR BEAN, alkaloids of

COCA, alkaloids of, except substances containing less than 0.1 per cent. of the alkaloids of coca

COCAINE except substances containing less than 0.1 per cent. of cocaine

CODEINE except substances containing less than 1.5 per cent. of codeine

COLCHICUM, alkaloids of, except substances containing less than 0.5 per cent. of the alkaloids of colchicum calculated as colchicine

CONIINE except substances containing less than 0.1 per cent. of coniine

COTARNINE except substances containing less than 0.2 per cent. of cotarnine

CURARE, alkaloids of; curare bases

DIACETYLMORPHINE

DIHYDROCODEINE

DIHYDROCODEINONE; its esters

DIHYDRODESOXYMORPHINE

DIHYDROHYDROXYCODEINONE

DIHYDROMORPHINE

DIHYDROMORPHINONE

ECGONINE except substances containing less than 0.1 per cent. of ecgonine

EMETINE except substances containing less than one per cent. of emetine

ERGOT, alkaloids of

ETHYLMORPHINE except substances containing less than 0.2 per cent. of ethylmorphine

GELSEMIUM, alkaloids of, except substances containing less than 0.1 per cent. of the alkaloids of gelsemium

HOMATROPINE except substances containing less than 0.15 per cent. of homatropine

HYOSCINE except substances containing less than 0.15 per cent. of hyoscine

HYOSCYAMINE except substances containing less than 0.15 per cent. of hyoscyamine

JABORANDI, alkaloids of, except substances containing less than 0.5 per cent. of the alkaloids of jaborandi

LOBELIA, alkaloids of, except substances containing less than 0.5 per cent. of the alkaloids of lobelia

MORPHINE except substances containing less than 0.2 per cent. of morphine calculated as anhydrous morphine

NICOTINE

PAPAVERINE except substances containing less than one per cent. of papaverine

POMEGRANATE, alkaloids of, except substances containing less than 0.5 per cent. of alkaloids of pomegranate

QUEBRACHO, alkaloids of

SABADILLA, alkaloids of, except substances containing less than one per cent. of the alkaloids of sabadilla

SOLANACEOUS ALKALOIDS, not otherwise included in this Schedule, except substances containing less than 0.15 per cent. of solanaceous alkaloids calculated as hyoscyamine

- STAVESACRE, alkaloids of, except substances containing less than 0.2 per cent. of the alkaloids of stavesacre
- STRYCHNINE except substances containing less than 0.2 per cent. of strychnine
- THEBAINE except substances containing less than one per cent. of thebaine
- VERATRUM, alkaloids of, except substances containing less than one per cent. of the alkaloids of veratrum
- YOHIMBA, alkaloids of
- ALPHAMEPRODINE; its salts
- ALLYLISOPROPYLACETYLUREA
- ALPHAPRODINE; its salts
- AMIDONE; its salts
- AMIDOPYRINE; its salts, amidopyrine sulphonates; their salts
- AMINO-ALCOHOLS; esterified with benzoic acid, phenylacetic acid, phenylpropionic acid, cinnamic acid or the derivatives of these acids, except in substances containing less than ten per cent. of esterified amino-alcohol, except procaine when in a preparation containing any substance to which the Penicillin Act, 1947, as amended by the Therapeutic Substances (Prevention of Misuse) Act, 1953, for the time being applies; their salts
- ANTI-HISTAMINE SUBSTANCES, the following; their salts; their molecular compounds
- ANTAZOLINE
- BROMAZINE
- CHLORCYCLIZINE
- DIPHENHYDRAMINE
- 3-DI-N-BUTYLAMINOMETHYL-4 : 5 : 6-TRIHYDROXYPHthalide
- PHENINDAMINE
- PROMETHAZINE
- Substances being tetra-substituted N derivatives of ethylenediamine or propylenediamine
- ANTIMONIAL POISONS except substances containing less than the equivalent of one per cent. of antimony trioxide.
- APIOL and OIL OF PARSLEY
- ARSENICAL POISONS except substances containing less than the equivalent of 0.01 per cent. of arsenic trioxide and except dentrifices containing less than 0.5 per cent. of acetarsol
- BARBITURIC ACID; its salts; derivatives of barbituric acid; their salts; compounds of barbituric acid, its salts, its derivatives, their salts, with any other substance
- BARIUM, salts of
- BETA-AMINOPROPYL BENZENE; its salts; its N-alkyl derivatives; their salts; beta-aminoisopropylbenzene; its salts; its N-alkyl derivatives; their salts; except solutions containing less than 1.0 per cent. of amphetamine
- BETAMEPRODINE; its salts
- BETAPRODINE; its salts
- CANNABIS; the resin of cannabis; extracts of cannabis; tinctures of cannabis
- cannabin tennate
- CANTHARIDIN except substances containing less than 0.01 per cent. of cantharidin
- CANTHARIDATES except substances containing less than the equivalent of 0.01 per cent. of cantharidin
- CARBACHOL
- CHLORPROMAZINE; its salts
- DEXTROMETHORPHAN; its salts, except substances containing less than 1.5 per cent. of dextromethorphan
- DEXTRORPHAN; its salts
- DIACETYL-N-ALLYLNORMORPHINE; its salts
- DIGITALIS, glycosides and other active principles of, except substances containing less than one unit of activity (as defined in the British Pharmacopoeia) in two grammes of the substance
- DI-ISOPROPYL FLUOROPHOSPHONATE
- 1 : 4-DIMETHANESULPHONOXYBUTANE; its salts
- DINITROCRESOLS (DNC); their compounds with a metal or a base except winter washes containing not more than the equivalent of five per cent. of dinitrocresols
- DINITRONAPHTHOLS; DINITROPHENOLS; DINITROTHYMOLS
- DINOSAM; its compounds with a metal or a base
- DINOSEB; its compounds with a metal or a base
- DIPIPANONE; its salts



## DISULFIRAM

DITHIENYLALYLAMINE COMPOUNDS; their salts

ERGOT; extracts of ergot; tinctures of ergot

GALLAMINE; its salts; its quaternary compounds

GUANIDINES, the following:—polymethylene, diguanidines, dipara-anisyl-phenetyl guanidine

HYDROCYANIC ACID except substances containing less than 0.15 per cent., weight in weight, of hydrocyanic acid (HCN); cyanides except substances containing less than the equivalent of 0.1 per cent, weight in weight, of hydrocyanic acid (HCN); double cyanides of mercury and zinc

HYDROXYPETHIDINE; its salts

ISOAMIDONE; its salts

KETOEMERGONE; its salts

LEAD, compounds of, with acids from fixed oils

LEVOMETHORPHAN; its salts

LEVORPHAN; its salts

6-MERCAPTOPURINE; its salts

MERCURIC CHLORIDE except substances containing less than one per cent. of mercuric chloride; mercuric iodide except substances containing less than two per cent. of mercuric iodide; nitrates of mercury except substances containing less than the equivalent of three per cent., weight in weight, of mercury (Hg); potassio-mercuric iodides except substances containing less than the equivalent of one per cent. of mercuric iodide; organic compounds of mercury except substances containing less than the equivalent of 0.2 per cent., weight in weight, of mercury (Hg)

METANITROPHENOL; ORTHONITROPHENOL; PARANITROPHENOL

METHADOL; its salts

METHADYL ACETATE; its salts

METHYLDIHYDROMORPHINE; its salts

METHYLPENTYNOL

METOPON (METHYLDIHYDROMORPHINONE); its salts

MORPHOLINYLETHYLMORPHINE; its salts, except substances containing less than 1.5 per cent. of morpholinylethylmorphine

MUSTINE; its salts

NALORPHINE; its salts

NUX VOMICA except substances containing less than 0.2 per cent. of strychnine

OPIUM except substances containing less than 0.2 per cent. of morphine calculated as anhydrous morphine

## OUABAIN

OXYCINCHONIC ACID, derivatives of; their salts, their esters

PARA-AMINO BENZENESULPHONAMIDE; its salts: derivatives of para-aminobenzene-sulphonamide having any of the hydrogen atoms of the para-amino group or of the sulphonamide group substituted by another radical; their salts

## PARAMETHADIONE

PENNYROYAL and its oil

PETHIDINE; its salts

PHENADOXONE; its salts

PHENETIDYLPHENACETIN

PHENYLACETYLUREA

PHENYLBUTAZONE; its salts

PHENYLCINCHONIC ACID; salicyl-cinchoninic acid; their salts; their esters

PHENYLETHYLHYDANTOIN; its salts; its acyl derivatives; their salts;

diphenylhydantoin; its salts; its acyl derivatives; their salts

PHOSPHORUS COMPOUNDS, the following—

DEMETON

DIETHYLTHIOPHOSPHATE OF ETHYL-MERCAPTO-ETHANOL

DIMÉFOX

ETHYL-PARANITROPHENYL-BENZENE-THIOPHOSPHONATE

HEXAETHYL TETRAPHOSPHATE (HETP)

4-METHYL-HYDROXY-COUMARIN-DIETHYL THIOPHOSPHATE

MAZDOX

METHYLDDEMETON

MIPAFOX

PARANITROPHENYL-DIETHYL PHOSPHATE

PARATHION

SCHRADAN

SULFOTEPP

TETRAETHYL PYROPHOSPHATE (TEPP)

TRIPHOSPHORIC PENTADMETHYLAMIDE

PICROTOXIN  
 POLYMETHYLENEBISTRIMETHYLAMMONIUM SALTS  
 RACEMETHORPHAN; its salts  
 RACEMORPHAN; its salts  
 SAVIN, oil of  
 SODIUM MONOFLUORACETATE  
 STROPHANTHUS, glycosides of  
 SULPHONAL, ALKYL SULPHONAL  
 THALLIUM, salts of  
 2-THIOURACIL  
 THIOUREA; its salts  
 TRIBROMOMETHYL ALCOHOL  
 TROXIDONE  
 TRI-(2-CHLOROETHYL)AMINE; its salts  
 TRIETHANOMELAMINE; its salts  
 ZINC PHOSPHIDE

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### SECOND SCHEDULE

Poisons exempted by Regulation 2(2) from labelling provisions when sold or supplied in certain circumstances

ALKALI FLUORIDES  
 AMMONIA  
 ANTIMONY, chlorides of; oxides of antimony; sulphides of antimony; antimonates; antimonites  
 CHLOROFORM  
 DINITROCRESOLS; DINITRONAPHTHOLS; DINITROPHENOLS  
 FORMALDEHYDE  
 GLYCERYL TRINITRATE  
 HYDROCHLORIC ACID  
 HYDROFLUORIC ACID; SODIUM SILICOFLUORIDE  
 LEAD ACETATES; compounds of lead with acids from fixed oils  
 MERCURIC CHLORIDE; MERCURIC IODIDE; ORGANIC COMPOUNDS OF MERCURY  
 MERCURY, oxides of: nitrates of mercury  
 METANITROPHENOL; ORTHONITROPHENOL; PARANITROPHENOL  
 NITRIC ACID  
 NITROBENZENE  
 OXALIC ACID; METALLIC OXALATES  
 PHENOLS; compounds of phenol with a metal  
 PHOSPHORUS, yellow  
 PICRIC ACID  
 POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE  
 SODIUM HYDROXIDE  
 SULPHURIC ACID

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### THIRD SCHEDULE

Articles exempted by Regulation 8 from the provisions of the Act and of these Regulations

#### GROUP I

#### *General Exemptions*

Adhesives; anti-fouling compositions; builders' materials, ceramics; distempers; electrical valves; enamels; explosives; fillers; fire-works; glazes; glue; inks; lacquer solvents; loading materials; matches; motor fuels and lubricants; paints other than Pharmaceutical paints; photographic paper; pigments; plastics; propellants; rubber; varnishes.

## GROUP II

*Special Exemptions*

<i>Poison</i>	<i>Substance or article in which exempted</i>
ACETANILIDE; ALKYL ACETANILIDES	Substances not being preparations for the treatment of human ailments
ALKALOIDS	Surgical spirit containing not more than .015 per cent. of brucine
BRUCINE	Ipecacuanha; extracts and tinctures of ipecacuanha; substances containing less than 0.05 per cent of emetine
EMETINE	Tobacco
NICOTINE	Pomegranate bark
POMEGRANATE, alkaloids of	Soaps; ointments; lotions for external use
STAVESACRE, alkaloids of	Substances not being solutions of ammonia; substances containing less than five per cent, weight in weight, of ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> ); refrigerators; smelling bottles
AMMONIA	Preparations intended for external application only and preparations containing not more than one per centum of anti-histamine substance for application in the nose or eye
ANTI-HISTAMINE SUBSTANCES, the following; their salts; their molecular compounds	
ANTAZOLINE	
BROMAZINE	
CHLOROCYCLIZINE	
DIPHENHYDRAMINE	
3-DI-N-BUTYLAMINOMETHYL-4:5:6-TRIHYDROXYPHTHALIDE	
PHENINDAMINE	
PROMETHAZINE	
Substances being tetra-substituted N derivatives of ETHYLENEDIAMINE or PROPYLENEDIAMINE	
ANTIMONY, chlorides of	Polishes
ARSENICAL POISONS	Pyrites ores or sulphuric acid containing arsenical poisons as natural impurities
Barium, salts of	Witherite other than finely ground witherite
BETA-AMINOPROPYLBENZENE; its salts; its N-alkyl derivatives; their salts; beta-aminoisopropylbenzene; its salts; its N-alkyl derivatives; their salts	Appliances for inhalation in which the poison is absorbed in inert solid material
CHLOROFORM	Substances containing less than ten per cent. of chloroform
CREOSOTE obtained from wood	Substances containing less than fifty per cent. of creosote obtained from wood
DINITROCRESOLS (DNC); their compounds with a metal or a base	Substances being neither preparations for the treatment of human ailments nor preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture
DINITROPHENOLS	Substances not being preparations for the treatment of human ailments
DINOSAM; its compounds with a metal or a base	Substances not being preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture
DINOSEB; its compounds with a metal or a base	Substances not being preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture
DISULFIRAM	Substances not being preparations for the treatment of human ailments
FORMALDEHYDE	Substances containing less than five per cent., weight in weight, of formaldehyde (HCHO); photographic glazing or hardening solutions
HYDROCHLORIC ACID	Substances containing less than nine per cent., weight in weight, of hydrochloric acid (HCL)

<i>Poison</i>	<i>Substance or article in which exempted</i>
LEAD ACETATE	Substances containing less than four per cent. of lead acetate
LEAD, compounds of	Machine-spread plasters
MERCURIC CHLORIDE	Batteries
NITRIC ACID	Substances containing less than nine per cent., weight in weight, of nitric acid (HNO <sub>3</sub> )
NITROBENZENE	Substances containing less than 0.1 per cent. of nitrobenzene; soaps less than one per cent. of nitrobenzene; polishes
ORGANIC COMPOUNDS OF MERCURY	Dressings on seeds or bulbs
OXALIC ACID; METALLIC OXALATES	Laundry blue; polishes
PARANITROBENZYL CYANIDE	Photographic solutions containing less than the equivalent of 0.1 per cent., weight in weight, of hydrocyanic acid (HCN)
PHENOLS	Carvacrol
	Creosote obtained from coal tar
	Essential oils in which phenols occur naturally
	Medicines containing less than one per cent. of phenols para tertiary amyl phenol
	Nasal sprays, mouthwashes, pastilles, lozenges, capsules, pessaries, ointments or suppositories containing less than 2.5 per cent. of phenols
	Smelling bottles
	Soaps for washing
	Solid substances, other than pastilles, lozenges, capsules
	Pessaries, ointments and suppositories, containing less than sixty per cent. of phenols
	Tar (coal or wood), crude or refined
	Tertiary butyl-cresol
	Thymol
PHENYLENE DIAMINES; TOLUENE DIAMINES; other alkylated-benzene diamines; their salts	Substances other than preparations for the dyeing of hair
PHOSPHORUS COMPOUNDS, the following	Substances other than preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture
DEMETON	
DIETHYL THIOPHOSPHATE OF ETHYLMERCAPTO - ETHANOL; DIMEFOX, ETHYL-PARANITROPHENYL - BENZENE THIOPHOSPHONATE, HEXAETHYL TETRAPHOSPHATE (HETP), 4-METHYL-HYDROXY-COUMARIN-DIETHYL THIOPHOSPHATE, MAZIDOX, METHYLDEMETON, MIPAFox, PARANITRO-PHENYL-DIETHYL PHOSPHATE, PARATHION, SCHRADAN, SULFOTEPP, TETRAETHYL PYROPHOSPHATE (TEPP), TRIPHOSPHORIC PENTADIMETHYLAMIDE	
PICRIC ACID	Substances containing less than five per cent. of picric acid
POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE	Substances containing less than twelve per cent. of potassium hydroxide; accumulators; batteries

Poison	Substance or article in which exempted
PROCAINE	Preparations for animal feeding containing any substance to which the Penicillin Act, 1947, as amended by the Therapeutic Substances (Prevention of Misuse) Act, 1953, for the time being applies
SODIUM ETHYL MERCURITHIO-SALICYLATE	Therapeutic substances containing less than 0.1 per cent. of sodium mercurithio-salicylate as a preservative
SODIUM FLUORIDE	Substances containing less than three per cent. of sodium fluoride as a preservative
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	Substances containing less than twelve per cent. of sodium hydroxide
SODIUM NITRITE	Substances other than preparations for the destruction of rats or mice
SODIUM SILICOFLUORIDE	Substances containing less than three per cent. of sodium silicofluoride as a preservative
SULPHURIC ACID	Substances containing less than nine per cent., weight in weight, of sulphuric acid (H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> ); accumulators; batteries; fire-extinguishers.

#### FOURTH SCHEDULE

Substances required by Regulation 9 to be sold by retail only upon a prescription given by a duly qualified medical practitioner, registered dentist, registered veterinary surgeon or registered veterinary practitioner, or on the order of a certified midwife in accordance with the directions laid down in this Schedule.

#### GROUP A

*The following substances and their preparations to be sold only on the prescription of a duly qualified medical practitioner, registered dentist and registered veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner.*

#### ALLYLISOPROPYLACETYLUREA

AMIDOPYRINE; its salts; amidopyrine sulphonates; their salts

ANTI-HISTAMINE SUBSTANCES, the following; their salts; their molecular compounds

ANTAZOLINE

BROMAZINE

CHLOROCYLIZINE

DIPHENHYDRAMINE

3-DI-N-BUTYLAMINOMETHYL-4 : 5 : 6-TRIHYDROXYPHTHALIDE

PHENINDAMINE

PROMETHAZINE

Substances being tetra-substituted N derivatives of ETHYLENEDIAMINE OR PROPYLENEDIAMINE

APIOL and OIL OF PARSLEY

BARBITURIC ACID, its salts; derivatives of barbituric acid; their salts; compounds of barbituric acid, its salts; its derivatives, their salts; with any other substance

BETA-AMINOPROPYLBENZENE; its salts; its N-alkyl derivatives; their salts; beta-aminoisopropylbenzene; its salts; its N-alkyl derivatives; their salts; except solutions containing less than 1.0 per cent. of amphetamine

CHLORPROMAZINE; its salts

1 : 4-DIMETHANESULPHONOXYBUTANE; its salts

DINITROCRESOLS; except agricultural or horticultural insecticides or fungicides; dinitronaphthols; dinitrophenols; dinitrothymols

DISULFRAM

DITHIENYLALLYLAMINE COMPOUNDS; their salts, except diethylthiambutene, dimethylthiambutene and ethylmethylthiambutene

GALLAMINE; its salts, its quaternary compounds  
 6-MERCAPTOPYRINE  
 MUSTINE; its salts  
 LEAD, compounds of, with acids from fixed oils  
 OESTROGENIC SUBSTANCES natural and artificial  
 PARA-AMINOBENZENESULPHONAMIDE; its salts; derivatives of para-aminobenzene-sulphonamide having any of the hydrogen atoms of the para-amino group or of the sulphonamide group substituted by another radical; their salts; except when contained in ointments or surgical dressings or in preparations for the treatment of coccidiosis in poultry and in preparations for the treatment of foul brood disease in bees  
 PARAMETHADIONE  
 PENNYROYAL and its oil  
 PHENYLACETYLUREA  
 PHENYLBUTAZONE; its salts  
 PHENYLCINCHONINIC ACID; SALICYL-CINCHONINIC ACID; their salts; their esters  
 POLYMETHYLENEBISTRIMETHYLAMMONIUM SALTS  
 SAVIN and its oil  
 SULPHONAL; ALKYL SULPHONALS; TRIDIONE (3 : 5 : 5-TRIMETHYLOXAZOLIDINE-2 : 4-DIONE)  
 TRI-(2-CHLOROETHYL)AMINE; its salts  
 TRIETHANOMELAMINE; its salts  
 2-THIOURACIL  
 THIOUREA  
 THYROID GLAND, the active principles of; their salts

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 GROUP B

*The following substances and their preparations to be sold only on the prescription of a duly qualified medical practitioner, registered dentist, registered veterinary surgeon or registered veterinary practitioner, and on the order of a certified midwife.*

ERGOT, alkaloids of  
 ERGOT; extracts of ergot; tinctures of ergot and all substances containing the active principles of ergot.

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 FIFTH SCHEDULE

[Regulation 11(2)]

Form to which the substances specified are restricted when sold by registered sellers of Part II poisons.

<i>Poison</i>	<i>Form to which sale is restricted</i>
ARSENICAL SUBSTANCES—	
ARSENIUS OXIDE	Sheep dips, sheep washes
ARSENIC SULPHIDES	" " " " " "
CALCIUM ARSENATES	Agricultural and horticultural insecticides or fungicides
CALCIUM ARSENITES	" " " "
COPPER ACETOARSENITE	" " " "
COPPER ARSENATES	" " " "
COPPER ARSENITES	" " " "
LEAD ARSENATES	" " " "
POTASSIUM ARSENITES	Sheep dips, sheep washes
SODIUM ARSENATES	" " " "
SODIUM ARSENITES	" " " "
SODIUM THIOARSENATES	" " " "
BARIUM CARBONATE	Preparations for the destruction of rats and mice
DINITROCRESOLS (DNC); their compounds with a metal or a base	Preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture
DINOSAM; its compounds with a metal or a base	" " " " " "

<i>Poison</i>	<i>Form to which sale is restricted</i>
DINOSEB; its compounds with a metal or a base	Preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture
MERCURIAL SUBSTANCES— MERCURIC CHLORIDE	Agricultural and horticultural fungicides, seed and bulb dressings, insecticides
MERCURIC IODIDE	Agricultural and horticultural fungicides, seed and bulb dressings
ORGANIC COMPOUNDS OF MERCURY	
NITROBENZENE	Agricultural and horticultural insecticides; substances for the treatment of bee disease; ointments for the treatment of animals
PHOSPHORUS COMPOUNDS, the following:—	
DEMETON, DIETHYLTHIOPHOSPHATE OF ETHYL-MERCAPTO-ETHENOL, DIMEFOX, ETHYL-PARANITRO-PHENYL-BENZENE THIOPHOSPHONATE, HEXAETHYL TETRAPHOSPHATE (HETP), MAZIDOX, METHYL-DEMETON, 4-METHYL-HYDROXY-COUMARIN-DIETHYLTHIOPHOSPHATE, MIPAFox, PARANITROPHENYL-DIETHYL PHOSPHATE, PARATHION, SCHRADAN, SULFOTEPP, TETRAETHYL PYROPHOSPHATE (TEPP), TRIPHOSPHORIC PENTADIMETHYLAMIDE	Preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture
ZINC PHOSPHIDE	Preparations for the destruction of rats and mice

## SIXTH SCHEDULE

Statement of particulars as to proportions of the poison in certain cases permitted by Regulation 16(2).

<i>Name of Poison</i>	<i>Particulars</i>
ALKALOIDS	
ACONITE, alkaloids of	The proportion of any one alkaloid of aconite that the preparation would be calculated to contain on the assumption that all the alkaloids of aconite in the preparation were that alkaloid.
BELLADONNA, alkaloids of	
CALABAR BEAN, alkaloids of	The same as above, with the substitution for the reference to aconite of a reference to belladonna, calabar bean or such other of the said poisons as the case may require.
COCA, alkaloids of	
COLCHICUM, alkaloids of	
EPHEDRA, alkaloids of	
ERGOT, alkaloids of	
GELSEMIUM, alkaloids of	
JABORANDI, alkaloids of	
LOBELIA, alkaloids of	
POMEGRANATE, alkaloids of	
QUEBRACHO, alkaloids of, other than the alkaloids of red quebracho	
SABADILLA, alkaloids of	
SOLANACEOUS ALKALOIDS not otherwise included in the Poisons Schedule	
STAVESACRE, alkaloids of	
VERATRUM, alkaloids of	
YOHIMBA, alkaloids of	

<i>Name of Poison</i>	<i>Particulars</i>
ANTIMONIAL POISONS	The proportion of antimony trioxide ( $Sb_2O_3$ ) or antimony pentoxide ( $Sb_2O_5$ ) that the preparation would be calculated to contain on the assumption that the antimony (Sb) in the poison had been wholly converted into antimony trioxide or antimony pentoxide as the case may be.
ARSENICAL POISONS	The proportion of arsenic trioxide ( $As_2O_3$ ) or arsenic pentoxide ( $As_2O_5$ ) that the preparation would be calculated to contain on the assumption that the arsenic (As) in the poison had been wholly converted into arsenic trioxide or arsenic pentoxide as the case may be.
BARIUM, salts of	The proportion of one particular barium salt which the preparation would be calculated to contain on the assumption that the barium (Ba) in the poison had been wholly converted into that salt.
DIGITALIS, glycosides of; other active principles of digitalis	The number of units of activity as defined in the British Pharmacopoeia contained in a specified quantity of the preparation.
HYDROCYANIC ACID; cyanides; double cyanides of mercury and zinc	The proportion of hydrocyanic acid (HCN) that the preparation would be calculated to contain on the assumption that the cyanides in the poison had been wholly converted into hydrocyanic acid.
INSULIN	The number of units of activity as defined in the British Pharmacopoeia contained in a specified quantity of the preparation.
LEAD, compounds of with acids from fixed oils	The proportion of lead oxide (PbO) that the preparation would be calculated to contain on the assumption that the lead in the poison had been wholly converted into lead oxide.
MERCURY, organic compounds of	The proportion of organically-combined mercury (Hg) contained in the preparation.
NUX. VOMICA	The proportion of strychnine contained in the preparation.
OPIUM	The proportion of morphine contained in the preparation.
PHENOLS	The proportion of phenols (added together) contained in the preparation.
COMPOUNDS OF PHENOL with a metal	The proportion of phenols (added together) that the preparation would be calculated to contain on the assumption that the compounds of phenols with a metal had been wholly converted into the corresponding phenols.
PITUITARY GLAND, the active principles of	Either:— (a) the number of units of activity as defined in the British Pharmacopoeia contained in a specified quantity of the preparation; or (b) the proportion of pituitary gland, or of anterior or of posterior lobe of the gland, as the case may be, contained in the preparation; or



<i>Name of Poison</i>	<i>Particulars</i>
POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE	(c) the amount of pituitary gland, or of anterior or of posterior lobe of the gland, as the case may be, from which a specified quantity of the preparation was obtained, together with an indication whether the amount relates to fresh or to dried gland substance. The proportion of potassium monoxide ( $K_2O$ ) which the preparation would be calculated to contain on the assumption that the potassium hydroxide in the preparation had been wholly converted into potassium monoxide.
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	The proportion of sodium monoxide ( $Na_2O$ ) which the preparation would be calculated to contain on the assumption that the sodium hydroxide in the preparation had been wholly converted into sodium monoxide.
STROPHANTHUS, glycosides of	The amount of Standard Tincture of strophanthus as defined in the British Pharmacopoeia which possesses the same activity as a specified quantity of the preparation when assayed by the method described in the said Pharmacopoeia.
SUPRARENAL GLAND, the active principles of; their salts	Either:— (a) the proportion of suprarenal gland or of the cortex or of the medulla of the gland, as the case may be, contained in the preparation; or (b) the amount of suprarenal gland, or of the cortex or of the medulla of the gland, as the case may be, from which a specified quantity of the preparation was obtained, together with an indication whether the amount relates to fresh or to dried gland substance.
THYROID GLAND, the active principles of; their salts	Either:— (a) the proportion of thyroid gland contained in the preparation; or (b) the amount of thyroid gland from which a specified quantity of the preparation was obtained together with an indication whether the amount relates to fresh or to dried gland.

## SEVENTH SCHEDULE

Indication of character prescribed by Regulation 17 for the purposes of section 27(1)(d) (iii) of the Act.

1. To be labelled with the words "Caution. It is dangerous to take this preparation except under medical supervision":—

Medicines made up ready for the internal treatment of human ailments if the poison is one of the following:—

## INSULIN

PHENYLETHYLHYDANTOIN; its salts; its acyl derivatives; their salts; diphenylhydantoin; its salts; its acyl derivatives; their salts

PITUITARY GLAND, the active principles of

2. To be labelled with the words "Caution. It is dangerous to exceed the stated dose":—

Medicines (other than medicines mentioned in paragraph 1 of this Schedule) made up ready for the internal treatment of human ailments except in the case of a substance included in the First Schedule

3. To be labelled with the words "Poison. For animal treatment only":—

Medicines made up ready for the treatment of animals.

4. To be labelled with the words "Caution. This preparation may cause serious inflammation of the skin in certain persons and should be used only in accordance with expert advice":—

Preparations for the dyeing of hair containing PHENYLENE DIAMINES or TOLUENE DIAMINES or other ALKYLATED-BENZENE DIAMINES or their salts.

5. To be labelled with the words "Caution. This substance is caustic":—

POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SODIUM HYDROXIDE, and articles containing either of these substances.

6. To be labelled with the words "Caution. This substance is poisonous. The inhalation of its vapour, mist, spray or dust may have harmful consequences. It may also be dangerous to let it come into contact with the skin or clothing":—

DINITROCRESOLS (DNC), their compounds with a metal or a base, except preparations for the treatment of human ailments and except winter washes containing not more than the equivalent of five per cent. of dinitrocresols.

DINOSAM, its compounds with a metal or a base

DINOSEB, its compounds with a metal or a base

PHOSPHORUS COMPOUNDS, the following:—

Demeton, diethylthiophosphate of ethyl-mercapto-ethanol, dimefox, ethylparanitro-phenyl-benzene thiophosphonate, hexaethyl tetraphosphate (HETP), 4-methyl-hydroxy-coumarin-diethyl thiophosphate, mazidox, methyl demeton, mipafox, para-nitrophenyl-diethyl phosphate, parathion, schradan, sulfotepp, tetraethyl pyrophosphate (TEPP), triphosphoric pentadimethylamide.

7. To be labelled with the words "Caution. This preparation should be administered only under medical supervision. The vapour is dangerous":—

Medicines made up ready for the internal or external treatment of human ailments and containing DI-ISOPROPYL FLUOROPHOSPHONATE.

## EIGHTH SCHEDULE

### Poisons to which Regulation 23 (Transport) applies.

#### ARSENICAL POISONS

#### BARIUM, salts of

DINITROCRESOLS (DNC), their compounds with a metal or a base, when contained in preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture, except winter washes containing not more than the equivalent of five per cent. of dinitrocresols

DINOSAM, its compounds with a metal or a base, when contained in preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture

DINOSEB, its compounds with a metal or a base, when contained in preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture

#### HYDROCYANIC ACID; CYANIDES

NICOTINE, except when contained in solid preparations containing less than 4 per cent. of nicotine

#### PHOSPHORUS COMPOUNDS, the following:—

Demeton, diethylthiophosphate of ethyl-mercapto-ethanol, dimefox, ethyl-paranitrophenyl-benzene thiophosphonate, hexaethyl tetraphosphate (HETP), mazidox, methyl demeton, 4-methyl-hydroxy-coumarin-diethyl thiophosphate, mipafox, paranitrophenyl-diethyl phosphate, parathion, schradan, sulfotepp, tetraethyl pyrophosphate (TEPP), triphosphoric pentadimethylamide

#### STRYCHNINE

#### THALLIUM, salts of

## NINTH SCHEDULE

Form of Application to be made to the Local Authority by a person desiring to have his name registered under Section 30 of the Act.

## FORM OF APPLICATION TO LOCAL AUTHORITY FOR REGISTRATION

THE MEDICINES, PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1945.

I, ..... of .....  
 ..... being engaged in the business of .....  
 hereby apply to have my name entered in the register kept in pursuance of section thirty of the above Act in respect of the following premises, namely,  
 .....

as a person entitled to sell from those premises poisons included in Part II of the Poisons Schedule.

I hereby nominate.....

to act as my deputy (députies) for the sale of poisons in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Poisons Regulations, 1956.

I undertake to comply with the provisions of the Medicines, Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Northern Ireland), 1945, and the Regulations made thereunder.

Signed.....

Date.....

(The following note to be set out at foot of and on reverse of the form.)

## NOTE

The entry of a person's name on a local authority's register does not entitle that person to retail poisons in Part I of the Poisons Schedule which, by the provisions of the Act, may only be retailed by authorised sellers of poisons

A person whose name is entered in a local authority's register is permitted, subject to the conditions stated below, to sell the poisons in Part II of the Poisons Schedule, namely:—

Ammonia; arsenic sulphides, arsenious oxide, calcium arsenates, calcium arsenites, copper acetoarsenites, copper arsenates, copper arsenites, lead arsenates, potassium arsenites, sodium arsenates, sodium arsenites and sodium thioarsenates; the following salts of barium—barium carbonate and barium silicofluoride; dinitrocresols (DNC), their compounds with a metal or a base; dinosam, its compounds with a metal or a base; dinoseb, its compounds with a metal or a base; formaldehyde; potassium fluoride; sodium fluoride and sodium silicofluoride; mercuric chloride, mercuric iodide and organic compounds of mercury which contain a methyl (CH<sub>3</sub>) group directly linked to the mercury atom; nicotine and its salts; nitrobenzene; phenols (carbolic acid and its homologues) in substances containing less than 60 per cent., weight in weight, of phenols and compounds of phenol with a metal in substances containing less than the equivalent of 60 per cent. weight in weight, of phenols; phenylene diamines, toluene diamines, other alkylated-benzene diamines, and their salts; the following compounds of phosphorus—demeton, diethyl thiophosphate of ethyl-mercapto-ethanol, dimefox, ethyl-paranitrophenyl-benzene thiophosphonate of hexaethyl tetraphosphate (HETP), mazidox, methyl demeton, 4-methyl-hydroxy-coumarin-diethyl thiophosphate, mipafox, paranitrophenyl-diethyl phosphate, parathion, schradan, sulfotepp, tetraethyl pyrophosphate (TEPP) and triphosphoric pentadimethylamide; potassium hydroxide, sodium hydroxide, sodium nitrite, zinc phosphide.

The requirements, of which the following is a summary, that apply to the sale of poisons by a person whose name is entered in a local authority's register, are laid down in section 27 of the Act and in the Poisons Regulations:—

1. The sale must be effected on the premises specified in the local authority's register. (Regulation 27)

2. The container of the poison must be labelled with the various particulars and in the prescribed manner. (Regulations 14 to 19)

3. No poison may be sold except in containers which comply with the prescribed requirements. (Regulation 20)

4. In the case of any arsenical or mercurial substance (unless it contains no more than the small proportions of arsenic or mercury specified in the First Schedule to the Poisons Regulations), and in the case of barium silicofluoride and nicotine (excepting agricultural and horticultural insecticides consisting of nicotine dusts containing not more than four per cent. of nicotine) and, in the case of dinitrocresols (except winter washes containing not more than five per cent. thereof), dinosam, dinoseb and the organo-phosphorus compounds, the purchaser must either (a) be known to the seller, or to the person in charge of the premises on which the substance is sold or of the department of the business in which the sale is effected, to be a person to whom the poison may properly be sold or (b) produce a valid certificate in the form prescribed in the Eleventh Schedule to the Regulations. In addition, in the case of such poisons, the required particulars of the sale must be entered, before delivery, in the Poisons Book to be kept in the form prescribed in the Twelfth Schedule to the Regulations and (subject to the exception next mentioned) the entry must be signed by the purchaser. (Regulation 3)

5. In the case of a sale to a person for the purpose of his trade or business (farmer, horticulturist, etc.), the entry of his signature in the Poisons Book may be dispensed with upon certain conditions, one of which is that an order signed by the purchaser has previously been obtained. (Regulation 4(3))

6. Arsenical and mercurial substances, barium carbonate, dinitrocresols, dinosam, dinoseb, nitrobenzene, the phosphorus compounds, and zinc phosphide may be sold only in particular types of preparation as specified in the Fifth Schedule to the Regulations (e.g. sodium arsenates in sheep dips, calcium arsenates in insecticides), and in containers labelled clearly with a notice of the special purpose for which they are to be used and with a warning that they are to be used for that purpose only. (Regulation 11(2)(a))

7. The following poisons may be sold only to persons engaged in the trade or business of agriculture or horticulture and for the purpose of that trade or business: arsenical substances (other than lead arsenates, calcium arsenates and copper acetoarsenite), dinitrocresols (other than winter washes containing not more than the equivalent of 5 per cent. of dinitrocresols), dinosam, dinoseb, any mercuric chloride, mercuric iodide or any organic compound of mercury and the phosphorus compounds (other than mipafox in the form of a cap on a stick or a wire. (Regulation 11(2)(b))

8. It is unlawful to store any poison except in a container impervious to the poison and sufficiently stout to prevent leakage from the container arising from the ordinary risks of handling. (Regulation 21(1))

9. Any poison consigned for transport must be sufficiently stoutly packed to avoid leakage arising from the ordinary risks of handling and transport. (Regulation 22)

10. In the case of the following poisons, the outside of any package consigned for transport by a carrier must be labelled conspicuously with the name of the poison and a notice that it is to be kept separate from food and from empty food containers—any arsenical poison, salts of barium, nicotine (except when contained in solid preparations containing less than four per cent. of nicotine), any of the phosphorus compounds and also (when contained in preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture) dinosam, dinoseb and dinitrocresols (other than winter washes containing not more than the equivalent of five per cent. of dinitrocresols). These poisons may not be knowingly carried in any vehicle in which food is being transported unless the food is in a part effectively separated from that containing the poison or is otherwise adequately protected from the risk of contamination. (Regulation 23)

11. No poison, other than ammonia, may be sold by a person whose name is entered in a local authority's register except in closed containers as closed by the manufacturer or other person from whom the poison was obtained. (Regulation 11(1)(a))

12. Arsenical or mercurial substances (unless they contain no more than the small proportions of arsenic or mercury specified in the First Schedule to the Regulations), salts of barium, dinitrocresols (other than winter washes containing not more than the equivalent of 5 per cent of dinitrocresols), dinosam, dinoseb, nicotine and the phosphorus compounds may not be sold except by the registered shopkeeper himself or by a responsible deputy nominated by him to the local authority in accordance with Regulation 11(1); and they must be stored either in a cupboard or drawer reserved solely for poisons or in a part of the premises which is partitioned off or otherwise separated from the rest of the premises and to which customers are not allowed to have access, or upon a shelf reserved solely for poisons, provided in the last case that no food is kept under the shelf and the container of the poison is distinguishable by touch from that of non-poisonous substances stored nearby; but if contained in substances for use in agriculture or horticulture, these poisons must be stored, either in a cupboard or drawer reserved solely for poisons intended for such use or in such a separate part of the premises as aforesaid where no food is kept. (Regulation 21(2))

#### TENTH SCHEDULE

Form of the Register to be kept by local authorities in pursuance of Section 30 of the Act.

#### THE MEDICINES, PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1945.

List of persons entitled to sell poisons in Part II of the Poisons Schedule

Full Name	Address of premises	Description of business carried on at the premises	Name of Deputy (or deputies) permitted to sell

ELEVENTH SCHEDULE

Certificate required by Regulation 31 for the purchase of a poison

For the purposes of sub-section (2)(a)(1) of Section 27 of the Medicines, Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Northern Ireland), 1945, I, the undersigned, a householder occupying (a).....hereby certify from my knowledge of (b).....of (a).....that he is a person to whom (c).....may properly be supplied.

I further certify that (d).....is the signature of the said (b).....

Signature of householder giving Certificate

Date.....

- (a) Insert full postal address.
(b) Insert full name of intending purchaser.
(c) Insert name of poison.
(d) Intending purchaser to sign his name here

Endorsement required by para. (2) of Regulation 31 of the Poisons Regulations to be made by a police officer in charge of a police station, when, but only when, the householder giving the certificate is not known to the seller of the poison to be a responsible person of good character.

I hereby certify that in so far as is known to the police of the district in which \*.....resides he is a responsible person of good character.

Signature of Police Officer.....

Rank.....

In charge of Police Station at.....

Date.....

Office Stamp of Police Station.

\*Insert full name of householder giving the certificate.

TWELFTH SCHEDULE

Form of entry required by Regulation 32 to be made in the book to be kept by sellers of poisons in accordance with Section 27(2)(b) of the Medicines, Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Northern Ireland), 1945.

Date of Sale	Name and quantity of poison supplied	Purchaser's			Purpose for which stated to be required	Date of certificate (if any)	Name and Address of person giving certificate (if any)	Signature of purchaser, or, where a signed order is permitted by the Poisons Regulations, the date of the signed order.
		Name	Address	Business, trade or occupation				

## THIRTEENTH SCHEDULE

Substances to which Regulation 12 applies:—

ARSENATES  
 ARSENITES  
 COPPER ACETOARSENITES  
 HALIDES OF ARSENIC  
 ORGANIC COMPOUNDS OF ARSENIC  
 OXIDES OF ARSENIC  
 SODIUM THIOARSENATES  
 SULPHIDES OF ARSENIC

## FOURTEENTH SCHEDULE

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

THE MEDICINES, PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1945.

Authority issued by a County Agricultural Executive Officer for the purchase of strychnine in pursuance of paragraph 1(e) of Regulation 13

I hereby authorise (a)..... of (b)..... to purchase, within three months of the date hereof, (c)..... ounce of strychnine for the purpose of killing foxes.

County Agricultural Executive Officer for the County of.....

Date.....

Insert (a) full name of intended purchaser; (b) full postal address, and (c) quantity which shall not exceed one ounce.

NOTE:—This Authority is valid for one purchase only and must be retained by the authorised seller of poisons.

## FIFTEENTH SCHEDULE

Substances in which Poison is exempted by Regulation 3 from Section 27(2) of the Act

<i>Poison</i>	<i>Substance in which exempted</i>
NICOTINE	Agricultural and horticultural insecticides consisting of nicotine dusts containing not more than four per cent. of nicotine.



## SIXTEENTH SCHEDULE

Substances which may be sold by licensed hatcheries and the purpose for which they may be sold in pursuance of Regulation 1

PARA-AMINO BENZENESULPHONAMIDE; its salts; derivatives of para-aminobenzene-sulphonamide having any of the hydrogen atoms of the para-amino group or of the sulphonamide group substituted by another radical; their salts.

For the treatment of coccidiosis in poultry.

## SEVENTEENTH SCHEDULE

*Regulations revoked*

The Poisons Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1954.

The Poisons Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1955.

ORDER, DATED 31ST JULY, 1956, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SUB-SECTION (5) OF SECTION TWENTY-SIX A OF THE MEDICINES, PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1945.

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WHEREAS the Poisons Board, constituted in accordance with sub-section (1) of section twenty-six of the Medicines, Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Northern Ireland), 1945, has, in pursuance of sub-section (2) of section twenty-six A of the said Act, prepared and submitted to me for confirmation a list of the substances which are to be treated as poisons for the purposes of the Pharmacy and Poisons Acts (Northern Ireland), 1925 to 1955;

AND WHEREAS I have duly taken the said list into consideration;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE RIGHT HONOURABLE TERENCE O'NEILL, D.L., M.P., Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in pursuance of the powers vested in me by sub-section (5) of section twenty-six A of the Medicines, Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Northern Ireland), 1945, hereby order as follows:—

1. The list of substances prepared by the Poisons Board and set out in the Schedule is hereby confirmed.
2. This Order may be cited as the Poisons List Confirmation Order (Northern Ireland), 1956, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of September, 1956.

Dated this 31st day of July, 1956.

*Terence O'Neill,*  
Minister of Home Affairs for  
Northern Ireland