EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Rules)

These Rules, which by virtue of rule 1(1) come into force on 1st November 1992, amend the Poisons Rules 1982 ("the principal rules") in two respects.

Rule 2 revokes rule 20 of the principal rules, which prohibits the sale or supply of liquid poisons in bottles having a capacity of not more than 1.14 litres unless their outer surface is ribbed or grooved in the manner there specified. This is consequential upon the implementation of various Council Directives by the Child Resistant Packaging and Tactile Danger Warnings (Safety) Regulations 1992 (S.I.1992/2006), which come into force on 1st November 1992. This revocation is necessary to avoid duplication.

Rule 3 and the Schedule revise the list of phenols which benefit from the exemptions in Group II of Schedule 4 to the principal rules. This ensures that certain liquid disinfectants which are freely available to the public are similarly exempt.