
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order further amends the Medicines (Products Other Than Veterinary Drugs) (Prescription Only) Order 1983 (the principal Order) which specifies descriptions and classes of prescription only medicines, that is to say, medicinal products which (subject to exemptions) may be sold or supplied by retail only in accordance with a prescription given by an appropriate practitioner and which may be administered only by or in accordance with the directions of such a practitioner.

Article 2 replaces paragraph (1E) of article 4 of the principal Order introduced by the Medicines (Products Other Than Veterinary Drugs) (Prescription Only) Amendment Order 1992 which exempts certain products containing Carbenoxolone Sodium 1% from being prescription only medicines, as the drafting of paragraph (1E) was ambiguous in certain respects.

Article 3 amends article 5 of the principal Order by adding Glucagon Injection to the list of prescription only medicines which may be administered to human beings for the purpose of saving life in an emergency.

Article 4 amends Part III of Schedule 3 to the principal Order (which contains exemptions from the restrictions on administration of prescription only medicines) by adding an exemption in respect of the administration of specified medicines by certain ambulance paramedics.