
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations further amend the Medicines (Sale or Supply) (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1980 (“the principal Regulations”) which impose restrictions on the sale and supply of medicinal products.

Regulation 2 amends the definition of “supplementary prescriber” in the principal Regulations to include chiropodists and podiatrists, physiotherapists and diagnostic or therapeutic radiographers. Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations makes provision for the particulars to appear in pharmacy records of supplies of prescription only medicines in pursuance of prescriptions given by such prescribers.

Regulation 3 amends regulation 5 of the principal Regulations to make changes to the prescription only medicines which may be sold or supplied by way of wholesale dealing to a registered ophthalmic optician.

Regulation 4 amends regulation 8 of the principal regulations. This regulation concerns the maximum number of tablets which may be contained in a pack of tablets for human use which are for sale elsewhere than at a registered pharmacy. The amendment changes the maximum number of tablets which may be contained in a pack containing Bisacodyl, from 20 to 50.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment in relation to these Regulations has been placed in the libraries of both Houses of Parliament, and copies may be obtained from the Department of Health, Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, Information Centre, Room 10-202, Market Towers, 1 Nine Elms Lane, London SW8 5NQ.