

1984 No. 17

DANGEROUS DRUGS**Misuse of Drugs (Notification of and Supply to Addicts)
(Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984**

Made 23rd January 1984
Coming into operation 1st April 1984

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 10(2)(i), 22(c) and 31 of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971(a) as adapted by section 38 of that Act and now vested in it(b) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf and after consultation in accordance with section 31(3) of that Act with the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs, hereby makes the following regulations:—

1. These regulations may be cited as the Misuse of Drugs (Notification of and Supply to Addicts) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1984.

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(c) shall apply to these regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

3. The Misuse of Drugs (Notification of and Supply to Addicts) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1973(d) shall be amended by adding at the end of regulation 4(3) the following sub-paragraph:—

“(c) dipipanone, its salts and any preparation or other product containing dipipanone or its salts.”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 23rd January 1984.

(L.S.)

J. A. Wylie

Assistant Secretary

(a) 1971 c. 38
 (b) By S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504 Article 5(a)
 (c) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
 (d) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 180

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the Misuse of Drugs (Notification of and Supply to Addicts) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1973 ("the principal regulations").

The principal regulations contain provisions prohibiting doctors, except under licence from the Department of Health and Social Services or in certain cases for medical treatment, from supplying or prescribing cocaine or diamorphine (commonly known as heroin) to persons they consider or suspect to be addicted to certain controlled drugs.

These regulations bring dipipanone under the same control as cocaine and diamorphine.