Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Vice-Admiral, Governor of Northern Ireland, by and with the consent of the Privy Council, in exercise of the powers conferred by the said sub-section (3) do hereby approve of the said resolution.

Given at Government House, Hillsborough, this twenty-fifth day of April, 1949.

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Poisons

REGULATIONS, DATED 21ST JUNE, 1949, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTIONS THIRTY AND THIRTY-TWO OF THE MEDICINES, PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1945.

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I, THE RIGHT HONOURABLE EDMOND WARNOCK, K.C., Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in pursuance of sections thirty and thirty-two of the Medicines, Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Northern Ireland), 1945 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") do hereby make the following Regulations :—

1. At the end of Regulation 4 of the Poisons Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1946, (which limits to certain substances the application of the provisions of sub-section (2) of section twenty-seven of the Act regarding persons to whom poisons may be sold and the keeping of records of sales) there shall be added the following proviso :—

> "Provided also that the provisions of the said sub-section (2) of section twenty-seven 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."

2. In sub-paragraph (*e*) of paragraph (3) of Regulation 10 of the said Regulations (which Regulation prohibits the sale of certain poisons without a written prescription containing specified particulars, including the total amount of the medicine to be supplied and the dose to be taken) after the words "supplied and" there shall be inserted the words "except in the case of a preparation which is to be used for external treatment only."

3. In paragraph (6) of Regulation 10 and in paragraph (3) of Regulation 22 of the said Regulations after the words " duly qualified medical practitioner " there shall be inserted the words " or registered dentist " and for the words " the Acts relating to national health insurance " there shall be substituted the words " the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948."

4.—(1) At the end of paragraph (1) of Regulation 10 of the said Regulations (which prohibits the sale of certain poisons without a written prescription containing specified particulars) there shall be added the following words :—

" 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 24 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) In sub-paragraph (*c*) of paragraph (4) of the said Regulation 10 (which provides that at the time of dispensing there must be noted on the prescription the name and address of the seller and the date on which the prescription is dispensed) after the words " at the time of dispensing " there shall be inserted the words " or, where a poison has been dispensed under the proviso to paragraph (1) of this Regulation on the subsequent receipt of the prescription " and at the end of the said sub-paragraph there shall be added the words " or, as the case may be, the poison was delivered."

5.—(1) In sub-paragraph (*a*) of paragraph (4) of Regulation 10 of the said Regulations (which provides that a prescription may not be dispensed more than once unless the prescription has stated thereon that it may be dispensed more than once) for the words " has stated thereon that it may be dispensed more than once " there shall be substituted the words " has directed thereon that it may be dispensed a stated number of times or that it may be dispensed at stated intervals."

(2) After sub-paragraph (*b*) of the said paragraph (4) there shall be inserted the following sub-paragraph :—

" (*bb*) 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."

6.—(1) In paragraph (2) of Regulation 23 of the said Regulations (which provides that in certain institutions no medicine containing a poison shall be supplied from the dispensary or pharmaceutical department, except in cases of emergency, for use in the institute except in accordance with the requirement contained in the said Regulation) the words " except in cases of emergency " shall be omitted.

(2) At the end of paragraph (3) of the said Regulation 23 there shall be added the following proviso :—

" 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 24 hours next following."

7. For Regulation 31 of the said Regulations there shall be substituted the following Regulation :—

" 31. It shall not be lawful to sell any poison included in the Fifth 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 of a distinctive colour whether dry or wet or in solution :

Provided that this Rule 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."

8. In the First Schedule to the said 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 of sales, are imposed) :—

(*a*) under the heading relating to alkaloids, in the item " Codeine except substances containing less than one per cent. of codeine " for the words " one per cent." there shall be substituted the words " 1.5 per cent." ;

(*b*) after the words " Curare, alkaloids of " there shall be inserted the words " curare bases " ;

(*c*) after the word " Allylisopropylacetylurea " there shall be inserted the words " Amidone (dl-2-dimethylamino-4 : 4-diphenylheptane-5-one) ; its salts " ;

(*d*) after the item commencing with the word " Cantharidates " and before the item commencing with the word " Digitalis " there shall be inserted the word " Carbachol " ;

(*e*) after the item commencing with the word " Metanitrophenol " and before the item commencing with the words " Nux Vomica " there shall be inserted the words " Metopon (methyldihydromorphinone) ; its salts " ;

(*f*) after the words " Savin, oil of " there shall be inserted the words " Sodium monofluoracetate " ;

(*g*) after the words " Tribromethyl alcohol " there shall be inserted the words " Tridione (3:5:5-trimethyl-oxazolidine-2:4:dione) ".

9. In Group II of the Third Schedule to the said Regulations (in which group is specified in the second column the substances excepted so far as the poisons specified in the first column are concerned, from the provisions of Part III of the Act and from the provisions of the Regulations) there shall be inserted :—

(*a*) in the first column under the head " Alkaloids " the word " Brucine " and opposite that word there shall be inserted in the second column the words " surgical spirit containing not more than .015 per cent. of brucine " ;

(*b*) in the first column after the words " Oxalic acid ; metallic oxalates " the words " Paranitrobenzyl cyanide," and opposite those words there shall be inserted in the second column the words " Photographic solutions containing less than the equivalent of 0.1 per cent., weight in weight, of hydrocyanic acid (HCN) ".

10. In the Fourth Schedule to the said Regulations (which specifies the poisons the sale of which without a written prescription containing specified particulars is prohibited) :—

(*a*) before the words " Amidopyrine ; its salts " there shall be inserted the word " Allylisopropylacetylurea " ;

(*b*) after the words "Sulphonal; alkyl sulphonals" there shall be added the words "Tridione (3:5:5-trimethyl-oxazolidine-2:4-dione)."

11. In paragraph (1) of the Seventh Schedule to the said Regulations (which specifies the poisons the presence of which in certain types of medicine renders it obligatory to label the container of the medicine in a particular manner) the word "Allylisopropylacetylurea" shall be omitted.

12. After the Fourteenth Schedule to the said Regulations there shall be added the Fifteenth Schedule set out in the Schedule hereto.

13. These Regulations may be cited as the Poisons Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1949, and shall come into operation on the first day of July, 1949.

Dated this 21st day of June, 1949.

Edmond Warnock,
Minister of Home Affairs for
Northern Ireland.

FIFTEENTH SCHEDULE.

SUBSTANCES IN WHICH POISON IS EXEMPTED BY REGULATION 4 FROM SECTION 27 (2) OF THE ACT.

Poison.	*Substances in which exempted.*
Nicotine	Agricultural and horticultural insecticides consisting of nicotine dusts containing not more than four per cent. of nicotine.

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REGULATIONS, DATED THE 16TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1949, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH (TUBERCULOSIS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 54 OF THE HEALTH SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948.

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The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the Public Health