STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1961 No. 1612

POISONS

The Poisons Rules, 1961

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In pursuance of section twenty-three of the Pharmacy and Poisons Act, 1933(a), on the recommendation of the Poisons Board I hereby make the following Rules:—

1. The Poisons Rules, 1960(b), shall have effect subject to the following amendments, that is to say:—

(*a*) the amendments specified in the First Schedule to these Rules; and

(*b*) for the Fourth Schedule (which specifies the poisons which may be sold by retail only upon a prescription), there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in the Second Schedule to these Rules.

2. These Rules may be cited as the Poisons Rules, 1961, and shall come into operation on the eighteenth day of September, 1961.

R. A. Butler,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office,
Whitehall.
16th August, 1961.

(a) 23 & 24 Geo. 5. c. 25. (b) S.I. 1960/699 (1960 II, p. 2704).

FIRST SCHEDULE

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE POISONS RULES, 1960

1. In the First Schedule (which sets out a list of poisons to which special restrictions apply)—

(*a*) under the heading beginning with the word "Alkaloids", after the item beginning with the word "Curare" there shall be inserted the item "Demecarium bromide";

(*b*) the words "1 : 3-Dimethyl-4-phenyl-4-propionyloxyhexamethyleneimine; its salts" shall be omitted, and in substitution therefor after the words "Polymethylenebistrimethylammonium salts" there shall be inserted the words "Proheptazine; its salts";

(*c*) after the item "Dyflos" there shall be inserted the item "Endothal; its salts";

(*d*) in the item beginning with the words "Phosphorus compounds, the following", after the word "Amiton" there shall be inserted the words "Azinphos-methyl", and after the word "Parathion" there shall be inserted the word "Phosphamidon".

2. In the Third Schedule, in the part headed "Group II" (in which are specified in the first column the poisons which are exempted from the provisions of Part II of the Pharmacy and Poisons Act, 1933, and the Rules made thereunder, in so far as they are contained in the substances or articles specified opposite thereto in the second column)—

(*a*) in the first column, for the item beginning with the words "Androgenic and oestrogenic substances, the following" there shall be substituted the item—

"Androgenic, oestrogenic and progestational substances, the following:—

Benzoestrol

Derivatives of stilbene, dibenzyl or naphthalene with oestrogenic activity; their esters

Steroid compounds with androgenic or oestrogenic or progestational activity; their esters";

(*b*) in the first column, in the item beginning with the words "Anti-histamine substances, the following", the words—

"1-(4-*p*-Chlorophenyl-3-phenyl-but-2-enyl)-pyrrolidine" and "1-Dimethylamino-3-phenyl-3-(2-pyridyl)-propane"

shall be omitted, and in respective substitution therefor, after the word "Promethazine" there shall be inserted the word "Pyrrobutamine", and after the word "Phenindamine" there shall be inserted the word "Pheniramine";

(*c*) in the first column, in the item beginning with the words "Phosphorus compounds, the following", after the word "Amiton" there shall be inserted the words "Azinphos-methyl", and after the word "Parathion" there shall be inserted the word "Phosphamidon"; and

(*d*) in the second column, for the entry opposite to the item "Sodium nitrite" in the first column, there shall be substituted the item "Substances other than preparations containing more than 0·1 per cent. of sodium nitrite for the destruction of rats or mice".

3. In the Fifth Schedule—

(*a*) in Part A (which specifies in the second column the form to which poisons specified in the first column opposite thereto are restricted when sold by listed sellers of poisons)—

(i) in the first column, after the item beginning with the word "Dinoseb" there shall be inserted the item "Endothal; its salts", and opposite thereto in the second column, there shall be inserted the entry "Preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture",

(ii) in the first column, in the item beginning with the words "Phosphorus compounds, the following", after the word "Amiton" there shall be inserted the words "Azinphos-methyl" and after the word "Parathion" there shall be inserted the word "Phosphamidon";

(*b*) in Part B (which specifies the poisons which may be sold by listed sellers of poisons only to persons engaged in the trade or business of agriculture or horticulture and for the purposes of that trade or business), in the item beginning with the words "Phosphorus compounds, the following", after the word "Amiton" there shall be inserted the words "Azinphos-methyl" and after the word "Parathion" there shall be inserted the word "Phosphamidon".

4. In the Sixth Schedule (which specifies in the second column, as regards the poisons set out in the first column, the statements permissible for labelling purposes as to the proportion of the poison in preparations containing it), for the item "Suprarenal gland, the active principles of; their salts", there shall be substituted the item "Suprarenal gland medulla, the active principles of; their salts", and in the entry opposite thereto in the second column the words "or of the cortex", in both places where those words occur, shall be omitted.

5. In the Seventh Schedule (which specifies the words with which the container of certain poisons must be labelled when sold)—

(*a*) in paragraph 1 (which requires the label "*Caution. It is dangerous to take this preparation except under medical supervision*") the item "Pituitary gland, the active principles of" shall be omitted, and in the item beginning with the words "Anti-histamine substances, the following", the words—

"1-(4-*p*-Chlorophenyl-3-phenyl-but-2-enyl)-pyrrolidine" and "1-Dimethylamino-3-phenyl-3-(2-pyridyl)-propane"

shall be omitted, and in respective substitution therefor, after the word "Promethazine" there shall be inserted the word "Pyrrobutamine", and after the word "Phenindamine" there shall be inserted the word "Pheniramine";

(*b*) in paragraph 6 (which requires the label "*Caution. This substance is poisonous. The inhalation of its vapour, mist, spray or dust may have harmful consequences. It may also be dangerous to let it come into contact with the skin or clothing*")—

(i) after the item beginning with the word "Dinoseb" there shall be inserted the item "Endothal; its salts"; and

(ii) in the item beginning with the words "Phosphorus compounds, the following", after the word "Amiton" there shall be inserted the words "Azinphos-methyl", and after the word "Parathion" there shall be inserted the word "Phosphamidon".

6. In the Eighth Schedule (which specifies certain poisons in the transport of which certain requirements, including requirements as to labelling, must be observed)—

(*a*) after the item beginning with the word "Dinoseb" there shall be inserted the item "Endothal; its salts";

(*b*) in the item beginning with the words "Phosphorus compounds, the following", after the word "Amiton" there shall be inserted the words "Azinphos-methyl", and after the word "Parathion" there shall be inserted the word "Phosphamidon".

7. In the Sixteenth Schedule (which specifies the poisons which are required to be coloured before sale in certain cases) the words—

"2-Methoxycarbonyl-1-methylvinyl dimethyl phosphate"

shall be omitted, and at the end of the list of poisons there shall be added the item—

" Phosphorus compounds, the following:—

Azinphos-methyl

2-Methoxycarbonyl-1-methylvinyl dimethyl phosphate

Phosphamidon ".

SECOND SCHEDULE

AMENDED FOURTH SCHEDULE TO THE POISONS RULES, 1960

Rules 5 (3) and 12 " FOURTH SCHEDULE

Substances required to be sold by retail only upon a prescription given by a duly qualified medical practitioner, registered dentist, registered veterinary surgeon or registered veterinary practitioner

PART A

Allylisopropylacetylurea

Barbituric acid; its salts; derivatives of barbituric acid; their salts; compounds of barbituric acid, its salts, its derivatives, their salts, with any other substance

Busulphan; its salts

Chlorambucil; its salts

Cyclophosphamide; its salts

Demecarium bromide

Dinitrocresols (DNC); their compounds with a metal or a base, except preparations for use in agriculture or horticulture

Dinitronaphthols; dinitrophenols; dinitrothymols

Disulfiram

Dithienylallylamines; dithienylalkylallylamines; their salts; except diethylthiambutene, dimethylthiambutene and ethylmethylthiambutene

Gallamine; its salts; its quaternary compounds

Mannomustine; its salts

Mercaptopurine; its salts

Mustine; its salts

Phenacemide

Phenylcinchoninic acid; salicylcinchoninic acid; their salts; their esters

Polymethylenebistrimethylammonium salts

Tretamine; its salts

Trimustine; its salts.

PART B

Acetanilide; alkyl acetanilides

Acetylcarbromal

Amidopyrine; its salts; amidopyrine sulphonates; their salts

p-Aminobenzenesulphonamide; its salts; derivatives of *p*-aminobenzenesulphonamide having any of the hydrogen atoms of the *p*-amino group or of the sulphonamide group substituted by another radical; their salts; except when contained in ointments or surgical dressings or in preparations for the prevention and treatment of diseases in poultry

β-Aminopropylbenzene; its salts; its N-alkyl derivatives; their salts; β-amino-*iso*propylbenzene; its salts; its N-alkyl derivatives; their salts

Androgenic, oestrogenic **and progestational** substances, the following :—

Benzoestrol

Derivatives of stilbene, dibenzyl or naphthalene with oestrogenic activity ; their esters

Steroid compounds with androgenic or oestrogenic **or progestational** activity ; their esters

Azacyclonol ; its salts

Benactyzine ; its salts

Benztropine ; its salts

Bromvaletone

Captodiame ; its salts

Carbethoxysyringoylmethylreserpate ; its salts

Carbromal

Chlordiazepoxide ; its salts

2-*p*-Chlorophenyl-3-methylbutane-2 : 3-diol

Chlorpropamide ; its salts

Chlorprothixene

Diethylpropion ; its salts

Ectylurea

Ethchlorvynol

Ethinamate

Glutethimide ; its salts

Hexapropymate

4-Hydroxymethyl-2 : 2-di*iso*propyl-1 : 3-dioxolan

Hydroxyzine ; its salts

Imipramine ; its salts

Isocarboxazid ; its salts

Mephenesin ; its esters

Mephentermine ; its salts

Meprobamate

Metformin ; its salts

Methaqualone ; its salts

Methocarbamol

Methylpentynol ; its esters and other derivatives

Methyl phenidate ; its salts

Methyprylone

Paramethadione

Pemoline ; its salts

Phendimetrazine ; its salts

Phenelzine ; its salts

Phenetidylphenacetin

Phenformin ; its salts

Pheniprazine ; its salts

Phenmetrazine ; its salts

Phenothiazine, derivatives of ; their salts ; except **dimethoxanate, its salts and** promethazine, its salts and molecular compounds

Phenylbutazone ; its salts

Phenylethylhydantoin ; its salts ; its acyl derivatives ; their salts

1-Phenyl-2-pyrrolidinopentane ; its salts

Pipradrol ; its salts

Pituitary gland, the active principles of ; except when contained in preparations intended for external application only or in inhalants

Rauwolfia, alkaloids of ; their salts ; **derivatives of the alkaloids of rauwolfia ; their salts**

Sulphonal ; alkyl sulphonals

Suprarenal gland medulla, the active principles of ; their salts ; except when contained in preparations intended for external application only or in inhalants

Tetrabenazine ; its salts

Thalidomide ; its salts

Thyroid gland, the active principles of ; their salts

Tolbutamide

Tribromethyl alcohol

Troxidone

Zoxazolamine ; its salts."

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Rules, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Rules impose appropriate requirements and restrictions on the sale of substances now added to the Poisons List by the Poisons List Order, 1961 (S.I. 1961/1611), and also make certain other amendments to the Poisons Rules, 1960, in particular, ones consequential upon other changes in the Poisons List effected by that Order, including changes of nomenclature with consequential rearrangement. The Fourth Schedule to the Poisons Rules, 1960, as amended by these Rules, is set out in the Second Schedule, substances included in the Fourth Schedule for the first time, substances appearing therein under a new name and amendments to existing entries being printed in **heavy type.**