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PUBLIC HEALTH, SCOTLAND

The Public Health (Infectious Diseases) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1977

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In exercise of powers conferred on me by section 4(1) of the Infectious Disease (Notification) Act 1889(**a**) and by section 1 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act 1945(**b**), as amended by section 23 of the Food and Drugs (Scotland) Act 1956(**c**) and section 64(1) of and Schedule 6 to the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972(**d**), I hereby make the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1977 and shall come into operation on 14th March 1977.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these regulations, "the principal regulations" means the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) (Scotland) Regulations 1975(**e**).

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**f**) shall apply for the interpretation of these regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of the principal regulations

3. The principal regulations, as amended (**g**), shall be further amended as follows:—

(*a*) in regulation 7 (diseases to be specially reported), for paragraph (3) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

"(3) A chief administrative medical officer who receives a notification or certificate in respect of any case of—

(*a*) a disease subject to the International Health Regulations, or

(*b*) leprosy, or

(*c*) malaria contracted in Great Britain, or

(*d*) rabies contracted in Great Britain, or

(*e*) Lassa fever, or

(*f*) viral haemorrhagic fever, or

(*g*) Marburg disease,

shall immediately send a copy to the Chief Medical Officer.";

(**a**) 1889 c. 72.
(**b**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 15.
(**c**) 1956 c. 30.
(**d**) 1972 c. 58.
(**e**) S.I. 1975/308 (1975 I, p. 822).
(**f**) 1889 c. 63.
(**g**) S.I. 1976/1240 (1976 II, p. 3516).

(*b*) in Part 1 of Schedule 1 (diseases notifiable by virtue of the regulations), after "Malaria" there shall be inserted "Marburg disease", and after "Tuberculosis" there shall be inserted "Viral haemorrhagic fever ";

(*c*) in Schedule 2 (form of notification of infectious disease), after "Malaria" there shall be inserted "Marburg disease", and after "Typhus fever" there shall be inserted "Viral haemorrhagic fever".

Bruce Millan,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

New St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh.

3rd February 1977.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Regulations.*)

These Regulations further amend the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) (Scotland) Regulations 1975 by adding viral haemorrhagic fever and Marburg disease to the list of infectious diseases which are notifiable under the 1975 Regulations and including them in the category of diseases in respect of which the Chief Administrative Medical Officer of a Health Board is required to send a copy of each notification or certificate to the Chief Medical Officer of the Scottish Home and Health Department.

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