STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1964 No. 1433

THERAPEUTIC SUBSTANCES

The Therapeutic Substances (Manufacture of Surgical Materials) Amendment Regulations 1964

Made - - - -	*7th September* 1964
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Coming into Operation	*16th September* 1964

The Joint Committee constituted by section 4(1) of the Therapeutic Substances Act 1956(a), in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 5 of the said Act, after consultation with the Advisory Committee constituted under section 4(2) of the said Act, hereby make the following regulations:—

Citation, Commencement and Interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Therapeutic Substances (Manufacture of Surgical Materials) Amendment Regulations 1964 and shall come into operation on 16th September 1964.

(2) The Therapeutic Substances (Manufacture of Surgical Materials) Regulations 1963(b) and these regulations may be cited together as the Therapeutic Substances (Manufacture of Surgical Materials) Regulations 1963 and 1964.

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(c) applies to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of the Therapeutic Substances (Manufacture of Surgical Materials) Regulations 1963

2. The Therapeutic Substances (Manufacture of Surgical Materials) Regulations 1963 shall be amended as follows:—

(*a*) In the proviso to regulation 6(1) (Tests for sterility) for the expressions " 12 days " and " 5 days " there shall be substituted the expressions " 14 days " and " 7 days " respectively;

(*b*) For regulation 8 (Definition and proper name of surgical ligature and surgical suture) there shall be substituted the following regulation—

" 8. Surgical ligature or surgical suture is any ligature or form of binding material prepared from the gut or any tissue of an animal. When such ligature or suture is offered or intended to be offered for sale as sterile and ready for use, the proper name of the substance shall be the accepted name or a title descriptive of the true nature and origin of the substance, preceded by the words " sterilised surgical " as, for example, " sterilised surgical catgut " or " sterilised surgical horsehair." ;

(a) 4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. 25. (b) S.I. 1963/1458 (1963 II, p. 2557). (c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

(*c*) In regulation 10 (Labelling) for the reference to regulation 6 there shall be substituted a reference to regulation 7.

These regulations were made by the aforesaid Joint Committee on 7th September 1964.

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Members of the Joint Committee.

W. Turner,
Clerk of the Joint Committee.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These regulations make the necessary amendments to the Therapeutic Substances (Manufacture of Surgical Materials) Regulations 1963 consequential upon an extension of the incubation period in testing for sterility prescribed in schedule 2 to the Therapeutic Substances (Manufacture and Importation) General Regulations 1963 (S.I. 1963/1450 (1963 II, p. 2483)). They also correct a mis-reference in the former Regulations and provide new proper names for surgical ligatures and sutures.