

Serial Number 1948/148



**THE DANGEROUS DRUGS ORDER 1948**

B. C. FREYBERG, Governor-General  
ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington, this 8th day of  
September, 1948

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to section 3 of the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1927, and of all other powers enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, and being of the opinion that the drugs, preparations, or substances set out in the Schedule hereto are likely, if improperly used, to produce ill effects similar to those produced by the abuse of certain dangerous drugs set out in the Schedule to the said Act, doth hereby order as follows :—

1. This Order may be cited as the Dangerous Drugs Order 1948.
2. The Dangerous Drugs Order 1946, No. 1\* is revoked.
3. The drugs, preparations, or substances set out in the Schedule hereto are hereby declared to be dangerous drugs within the meaning of the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1927.
4. This Order in Council shall come into force on the 1st day of October, 1948.

**SCHEDULE**

(a) Any solution or dilution of morphine, ecgonine, or cocaine or their salts in any inert substance, whether liquid or solid.

(b) All esters of morphine and of ecgonine (with the exception of cocaine and its salts) and the salts of these esters.

(c) Dihydro-oxycodine, dihydrocodeine, dihydromorphine, acetyldihydrocodeine (acetyldemethylodihydrothebaine), dihydromorphine, desomorphine (dihydrodesoxymorphine), their esters and the salts of any of these substances and of their esters, morphine-N-oxide (commonly known as genomorphine), the morphine-N-oxide derivatives, and any other pentavalent nitrogen morphine derivatives.

\* Statutory Regulations 1946, Serial number 1946/25, page 56.

(d) Thebaine and its salts, and benzylmorphine and the other ethers of morphine and their respective salts, including methylmorphine (commonly known as codeine), and ethylmorphine and their respective salts.

(e) Ethyl 1-methyl-4-phenylpiperidine-4-carboxylate (commonly known as pethidine) and its salts.

(f) Amidone (dl-2-dimethylamino-4:4 diphenyl-heptone-5-one also known as methadon, dolophine, and miadone), its salts (including the hydrochloride known as physeptone) and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of amidone.

(g) Methyl dihydromorphinone (commonly known as metopon), its salts and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of methyl dihydromorphinone.

(h) Any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance (including any solution or dilution in an inert material) containing any proportion of any of the substances included in paragraphs (b), (c), (d), and (e) hereof, except compounds containing methylmorphine (codeine) and its salts, or ethylmorphine and its salts (including dionin), which are adapted to normal therapeutic use—that is, compounds which in the case of dry preparations (pills, tablets, &c.) contain in association with other medicinal substances not more than 0.1 gram of such substances per pill, tablet, &c., or which, in the case of solutions in other than inert fluids, contain not more than 10 per cent. of such substances.

T. J. SHERRARD,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.

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