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THE DANGEROUS DRUGS REGULATIONS 1951,
AMENDMENT NO. 1

C. W. M. NORRIE, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 6th day of July 1955

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Dangerous Drugs Act 1927, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. (1) These regulations may be cited as the Dangerous Drugs Regulations 1951, Amendment No. 1, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Dangerous Drugs Regulations 1951* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

2. Regulation 4 of the principal regulations is hereby amended as follows:

(a) By omitting from paragraph (b) of subclause (2) the words "raw opium or":

(b) By omitting from paragraph (b) of subclause (3) the words "raw opium or".

3. Regulation 5 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting from paragraph (b) of subclause (2) the words "in the case of raw opium and coca-leaf, the drugs are", and substituting the words "in the case of coca-leaf, the drug is".

4. The principal regulations are hereby amended by inserting, after regulation 5, the following heading and regulation:

"Restrictions on Importation and Exportation

"5A. No person shall import into or export from New Zealand any of the following dangerous drugs, namely:

"(a) Diacetylmorphine (diamorphine, heroin):

"(b) Ketobemidone:

"(c) Indian hemp (as defined in clause 10 of Part I of the First Schedule to these regulations), including resin obtained from Indian hemp, preparations of which the resin from Indian hemp forms the base, and extracts and tinctures of Indian hemp."

5. (1) Part II of the First Schedule to the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking clause 6, and substituting the following clause:

"6. Acetyldihydrocodeine and its salts, dihydrocodeinone, acetyldihydrocodeinone (acetyldemethylodihydrothebaine), their esters and their salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of those substances or of their esters or their salts."

(2) The said Part II is hereby further amended by revoking clause 18, and substituting the following clauses:

"18. 3-Hydroxy-N-methylmorphinan (commonly known as NU-2206 or methorphan) and its ethers; their salts and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of methorphan or of its ethers or of the salts of any of those substances, except the dextrorotatory isomer of 3-hydroxy-N-methylmorphinan (dextrorphan) and the dextrorotatory isomer of 3-methoxy-N-methylmorphinan (dextromethorphan).

"19. α -6-dimethylamino-4, 4-diphenyl-3-acetoxyheptane (α -acetylmethadol) and its salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of α -acetylmethadol or its salts.

"20. α -6-dimethylamino-4, 4-diphenyl-3-heptanol (α -methadol) and its salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of α -methadol or its salts.

"21. β -6-dimethylamino-4, 4-diphenyl-3-acetoxyheptane (β -acetylmethadol) and its salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of β -acetylmethadol or its salts.

"22. 3-dimethylamino-1, 1-di-(2-thienyl)-1-butene and its salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of 3-dimethylamino-1, 1-di-(2-thienyl)-1-butene or its salts.

"23. 3-ethylmethylamino-1, 1-di-(2-thienyl)-1-butene and its salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of 3-ethylmethylamino-1, 1-di-(2-thienyl)-1-butene or its salts.

"24. 6-methyl- Δ 6-desoxymorphine (methyl-desomorphine) and its salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract or other substance containing any proportion of methyl-desomorphine or its salts.

"25. 4, 4-diphenyl-6-piperidino-3-heptanone and its salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of 4, 4-diphenyl-6-piperidino-3-heptanone or its salts.

"26. 4, 4-diphenyl-6-dimethylamino-3-hexanone and its salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of 4, 4-diphenyl-6-dimethylamino-3-hexanone or its salts.

"27. β -4-4-diphenyl-6-dimethylamino-3-heptanol (beta-methadol) and its salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of beta-methadol or its salts.

"28. The isopropyl and other esters of 1-methyl-4-phenylpiperidine-4-carboxylic acid and their salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of the isopropyl or other esters of 1-methyl-4-phenylpiperidine-4-carboxylic acid or their salts.

"29. Dihydrohydroxymorphinone and its salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of dihydrohydroxymorphinone or its salts.

"30. 6-methyl dihydromorphine and its salts, and any preparation, admixture, extract, or other substance containing any proportion of 6-methyl dihydromorphine or its salts."

6. The Third Schedule to the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking clause 1.

7. The Fourth Schedule to the principal regulations is hereby amended by adding the following clause:

"6. Morpholinylethylmorphine (pholcodine) and its ethers, and any preparation containing any proportion of morpholinylethylmorphine or its ethers."

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

EXPLANATORY NOTE

[This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.]

These regulations make miscellaneous amendments to the Dangerous Drugs Regulations 1951, which deal with the importing, exporting, manufacture, supply, and prescribing of dangerous drugs, and require the keeping of records.

The effect of regulation 2 is that a licence to import raw opium may be granted only if the Comptroller of Customs is satisfied that the drug is required for, and will be used solely for, medicinal or scientific purposes.

The effect of regulation 3 is that a licence to export raw opium may be granted only where the Comptroller of Customs is satisfied that the drug is required, in the country to which it is to be exported, solely for medicinal or scientific purposes.

Regulation 4 prohibits the importing or exporting of heroin, ketobemidone, and Indian hemp.

Regulation 5 adds certain drugs and preparations to the list of dangerous drugs to which the Dangerous Drugs Act 1927 and the principal regulations apply. The new clause 18 excludes certain forms of morphinan.

The effect of regulation 6 is that the principal regulations will now apply to aromatic powder of chalk with opium B.P., which was previously an exempted preparation.

The effect of regulation 7 is that pholcodine and preparations containing it are partially exempted from the operation of the regulations, so as to allow dealing in them, and prescribing of them, by chemists, doctors, dentists, veterinary surgeons, hospitals, and approved institutions for the care of the sick or aged.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.