



THE DRUG TARIFF 1979, AMENDMENT NO. 1

PURSUANT to section 99 of the Social Security Act 1964, the Minister of Health hereby gives the following direction.

ANALYSIS

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| <p>1. Title and commencement</p> <p>2. Definition of "Retail Pharmacy—
dermatologist, ophthalmologist,
plastic surgeon, or oncologist"</p> | <p>3. Certain pharmaceutical requirements deleted from Part II of Schedule to Tariff</p> <p>4. Certain pharmaceutical requirements added to Part II of Schedule to Tariff Schedules</p> |
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DIRECTION

1. Title and commencement—(1) This direction may be cited as the Drug Tariff 1979, Amendment No. 1, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Drug Tariff 1979* (hereinafter referred to as the Tariff).

(2) This direction shall come into force on the 1st day of August 1979.

2. Definition of "Retail Pharmacy—Dermatologist, ophthalmologist, plastic surgeon, or oncologist"—Part I of the Schedule to the Tariff shall be read as if, for clause 10, there were substituted the following clause:

"10. 'Retail Pharmacy—dermatologist, ophthalmologist, plastic surgeon, or oncologist' means that payment may be made only when the pharmaceutical requirement concerned is supplied on a prescription, or practitioners' supply order, signed by a specialist in dermatology, in ophthalmology, in plastic surgery, or in oncology."

3. Certain pharmaceutical requirements deleted from Part II of Schedule to Tariff—Part II of the Schedule to the Tariff shall be read as if the pharmaceutical requirements specified in the First Schedule to this direction were deleted.

4. Certain pharmaceutical requirements added to Part II of Schedule to Tariff—Part II of the Schedule to the Tariff shall be read as if it included the pharmaceutical requirements specified in the Second Schedule to this direction and as if those requirements were available to the extent specified in that Schedule.

SCHEDULES

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FIRST SCHEDULE

DELETIONS

Pharmaceutical Requirement	Availability
Baclofen tablets	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Beclamide	Hospital Pharmacy.
Betamethasone and its salts as tablets	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Carbenoxolone sodium tablets	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Chloramphenicol, its salts and esters	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist, or as an ingredient of a chloramphenicol topical preparation.
Chlordiazepoxide	.....
Chlordiazepoxide hydrochloride	.....
Clindamycin and its salts	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Clofazimine	Hospital Pharmacy.
Clonazepam	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Dantrolene sodium capsules	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Demeclocycline hydrochloride	Except in any topical application.
Dexamethasone and its salts and esters	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Dexamethasone sodium phosphate injection	In cases of acute emergency or for pre-operative use; for refund on Form H. 532 or on a direct claim of a practitioner solely after use in a particular case.
Diazepam	.....
Dipyridamole injection and tablets	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Dydrogesterone tablets	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Fluorouracil topical solution and topical cream	Retail Pharmacy—dermatologist, plastic surgeon, or oncologist.
Frusemide infusion 250 mg and tablets exceeding 40 mg strength	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Glucose oxidase with peroxidase diagnostic sticks and sodium nitroprusside with aminoacetic acid diagnostic sticks	Not available on a bulk supply order.
Lorazepam tablets	.....
Methoxsalen	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Methylprednisolone and its salts and esters	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Methysergide dimaleate	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Neomycin sulphate with polymyxin B sulphate and bacitracin zinc	Only on a practitioner's supply order.
Oxazepam tablets	.....
Pancreatin proprietary preparations as approved by the Director-General	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Penicillamine hydrochloride	Hospital Pharmacy.
Pimozide tablets	Hospital Board—specialist.
Sodium hypochlorite solution	.....
Sodium nitroprusside, buffered, diagnostic strips	Not available on a bulk supply order.
Sodium polystyrene sulphonate	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Spectinomycin	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Spirit, cologne, industrial	In combination.
Thiopropazine mesylate	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Thiothixene oral concentrate	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Thyroid	.....
Thyroid (fresh gland) tablets	.....
Triamcinolone and its salts and esters as tablets and injections not elsewhere included in this direction	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Trioxsalen tablets	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Tripotassium dicitratobismuthate solution	Hospital Pharmacy.

SECOND SCHEDULE

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ADDITIONS

Pharmaceutical Requirement	Availability
Baclofen tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Beclamide	.....
Betamethasone and its salts as tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Calcium polystyrene sulphonate	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Carboxolone sodium tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Chloramphenicol, its salts and esters	Retail Pharmacy—specialist, or as an ingredient of a chloramphenicol topical preparation listed in this direction.
Chlordiazepoxide and its hydrochloride	Only on a prescription with a maximum quantity sufficient for 30 days treatment. Payment will not be made for repeat prescriptions.
Clindamycin and its salts	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Clofazimine	.....
Clonazepam	.....
Dantrolene sodium capsules	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Dexamethasone and its salts and esters, except preparations elsewhere listed in this direction	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Dexamethasone with framycetin sulphate and nystatin as ear ointment	.....
Dexamethasone sodium phosphate injection	Only on a wholesale supply order.
Diazepam capsules, syrup and tablets	Only on a prescription with a maximum quantity sufficient for 30 days treatment. Payment will not be made for repeat prescriptions.
Diazepam injection and suppositories	.....
Dipyridamole injection and tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Distigmine bromide	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Dydrogesterone tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Flucytosine infusion	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Fluorouracil topical solution and topical cream	Retail Pharmacy—dermatologist, ophthalmologist, plastic surgeon, or oncologist.
Fluorouracil sodium oral solution	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Frusamide infusion 250 mg and tablets exceeding 40 mg strength	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Glucose oxidase with peroxidase diagnostic sticks and sodium nitroprusside with aminoacetic acid diagnostic sticks as approved by the Director-General	Not available on a bulk supply order.
Glycerol	.....
Ketoprofen suppositories	.....
Lorazepam tablets	Only on a prescription with a maximum quantity sufficient for 30 days treatment. Payment will not be made for repeat prescriptions.
Methoxsalen	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Methylprednisolone and its salts and esters, except preparations elsewhere listed in this direction	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Methysergide dimaleate	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Neomycin sulphate with polymyxin B sulphate and bacitracin zinc aerosol	Only on a practitioner's supply order.

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*ADDITIONS—*continued*

Pharmaceutical Requirement	Availability
Oxazepam tablets	Only on a prescription with a maximum quantity sufficient for 30 days treatment. Payment will not be made for repeat prescriptions.
Pancreatin proprietary preparations as approved by the Director-General	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Penicillamine and its hydrochloride	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Pimozide tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Sodium hypochlorite solution as approved by the Director-General when prescribed for a patient on a renal dialysis unit at his own home	.....
Sodium nitroprusside, buffered, diagnostic strips as approved by the Director-General	Not available on a bulk supply order.
Sodium nitroprusside infusion	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist.
Sodium polystyrene sulphonate	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Spectinomycin hydrochloride	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Spirit, cologne, industrial	In combination, only on the prescription of a practitioner.
Thiopropazine mesylate	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Thiothixene oral solution	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Triamcinolone tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Trioxsalen tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.
Tripotassium dicitratobismuthate solution	.....
Vidarabine eye ointment	Retail Pharmacy—specialist.

Dated at Wellington this 3rd day of July 1979.

GEORGE F. GAIR,
Minister of Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the direction, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This direction makes 2 amendments to the Drug Tariff 1979. First, it adds ophthalmologists to those specialists (at present dermatologists, plastic surgeons, and oncologists) on whose prescriptions certain pharmaceutical requirements may be supplied free of charge.

Secondly, it provides for deletions from and additions to, the list of pharmaceutical requirements in Part II of the Drug Tariff 1979. Deleted items do not in all cases disappear from the list, as they are sometimes added again in a varied form.

Some of the items added are:

<i>Trade Name</i>	<i>Official Name</i>
Alcobon infusion (Hospital Pharmacy—specialist)	Flucytosine.
Calcium Resonium (Retail Pharmacy—specialist)	Calcium polystyrene sulphonate.
Fluorouracil oral solution (Retail Pharmacy—specialist)	Fluorouracil sodium.
Nipride (Hospital Pharmacy—specialist)	Sodium nitroprusside.
Orudis suppositories	Ketoprofen.
Sofrastatin ear ointment	Dexamethasone with framycetin sulphate and nystatin as ear ointment.
Ubretid (Hospital Pharmacy—specialist)	Distigmine bromide.
Vira—A eye ointment (Retail Pharmacy—specialist)	Vidarabine eye ointment.

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