



THE DRUG TARIFF 1984, AMENDMENT NO. 9

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

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DIRECTION

1. Title and commencement—(1) This direction may be cited as the Drug Tariff 1984, Amendment No. 9, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Drug Tariff 1984* (hereinafter referred to as the Tariff).

(2) This direction shall come into force on the 1st day of December 1986.

*S.R. 1984/180

Amendment No. 1: *(Revoked)*
 Amendment No. 2: *(Revoked)*
 Amendment No. 3: *(Revoked)*
 Amendment No. 4: *(Revoked)*
 Amendment No. 5: *(Revoked)*
 Amendment No. 6: *(Revoked)*
 Amendment No. 7: S.R. 1986/126
 Amendment No. 8: S.R. 1986/293

(3) For the purpose of applying the Tariff after the commencement of this direction, but without affecting the validity or consequences of anything that has been done before the commencement of this direction, the Tariff shall have effect as if this amendment were the only amendment to the Tariff that had ever been made.

2. Interpretation—(1) Clause 2 (1) of the Tariff shall be read as if, after the definition of the term “The Act”, there were inserted the following definition:

“‘Area Health Board’ means an Area Health Board under the Area Health Boards Act 1983.”

(2) The said clause 2 (1) shall be read as if, for the definition of the term “Outpatient”, there were substituted the following definition:

“‘Outpatient’ means any person being treated at any hospital under the control of a Hospital Board or an Area Health Board, otherwise than as an inmate.”

(3) The said clause 2 (1) shall be read as if the definition of the term “Secretary” were revoked.

3. Prices for pharmaceutical requirements—(1) Clause 5 (5) of the Tariff shall be read as if there were inserted, after paragraph (a), the following paragraph:

“(aa) Any amount by which payment has been reduced under clause 7 (1) (b), clause 21 (3) (b), or clause 22 (1) (b) of this direction.”

(2) The said clause 5 (5) shall be read as if, for paragraph (b), there were substituted the following paragraph:

“(b) In the case of a preparation specifically ordered by a practitioner and supplied by the contractor, all or any part of the sum of—

“(i) Any amount by which the price the contractor paid for it exceeds 0.82 of its selling price; and

“(ii) Half of that amount,—

together with any goods and services tax payable under the Goods and Services Tax Act 1985 in respect of the amount charged under subparagraphs (i) and (ii) of this paragraph.

(3) Clause 5 (6) of the Tariff shall be read as if, for the expression “15”, there were substituted the expression “20”.

(4) Clause 5 (7) of the Tariff shall be read as if, for the expression “35”, there were substituted the expression “40”.

4. Calculation of payments—The Tariff shall be read as if, for clause 7, there were substituted the following clause:

“7. (1) Payment for a pharmaceutical requirement when dispensed shall be calculated by—

“(a) Adding together—

“(i) The total selling price of the requirement’s ingredients; and

“(ii) The amount specified in the Second Schedule to the Prescription Pricing Schedules for the average container charge; and

“(iii) If the requirement is dispensed in a container having a child-resistant closure, the amount specified in that schedule for such a closure; and

“(iv) The appropriate professional fee set out in the Third Schedule to the Prescription Pricing Schedules; and

“(v) If that requirement is the residue of a quantity of a Class B controlled drug that was prescribed as an initial supply but could not, at the time of initial dispensing, be supplied in that quantity, the appropriate additional fee set out in that schedule; and

“(vi) The amount (if any) of goods and services tax payable under the Goods and Services Tax Act 1985 in respect of the dispensing of that requirement; and

“(b) Subject to subclause (2) of this clause, subtracting \$1.

“(2) In calculating payment for a pharmaceutical requirement, \$1 shall not be subtracted—

“(a) If—

“(i) The person for whom that requirement is prescribed belongs to a class of person specified in regulation 4 or regulation 5 of the Social Security (Medical Fees) Regulations 1986; and

“(ii) The prescription concerned is either endorsed to that effect by the practitioner concerned or (where the contractor concerned is satisfied that the endorsement or lack of endorsement of the practitioner concerned is erroneous) endorsed to that effect and initialled by the contractor; and

“(iii) That prescription relates only to requirements prescribed for that person; or

“(b) If—

“(i) The person for whom that requirement is prescribed does not belong to a class of person specified in regulation 4 or regulation 5 of the Social Security (Medical Fees) Regulations 1986; and

“(ii) The contractor concerned is satisfied that the Director-General has exempted that person from the payment of a flat prescription charge; and

“(iii) The prescription relates only to requirements prescribed for that person; or

“(c) If—

“(i) The person for whom that requirement is prescribed does not belong to a class of person specified in regulation 4 or regulation 5 of the Social Security (Medical Fees) Regulations 1986; and

“(ii) The contractor concerned is not satisfied that the Director-General has exempted that person from the payment of a flat prescription charge; and

“(iii) That requirement is a contraceptive; and

“(iv) The prescription concerned relates only to contraceptives prescribed for that person.”

5. Computation of selling price—Clause 8 of the Tariff shall be read as if, for subclauses (1) and (2), there were substituted the following subclause:

“(1A) The selling price for any pharmaceutical requirement dispensed in any quantity shall be the price specified (in the column headed ‘Prescription Selling Price’) in the First Schedule to the Prescription Pricing Schedules for that requirement when dispensed in that quantity.”

6. Items not listed in First Schedule to Prescription Pricing Schedules—Clause 9 (1)(b) of the Tariff shall be read as if, for the expression “11.28”, there were substituted the expression “22.05”.

7. Items dispensed by count—Clause 10 (2) (b) of the Tariff shall be read as if, for the expression “11.28”, there were substituted the expression “22.05”.

8. Payment for bulk supply orders—(1) Clause 16 (1) (a) of the Tariff shall be read as if, for the expression “17.37”, there were substituted the expression “17.39”.

(2) Clause 16 (1) (b) of the Tariff shall be read as if, for the expression “30.63”, there were substituted the expression “43.27”.

(3) Clause 16 (1) (c) of the Tariff shall be read as if, for the expression “20”, there were substituted the expression “31.62”.

9. Claims on Department—Clause 19 of the Tariff shall be read as if, after subclause (3), there were inserted the following subclause:

“(3A) Notwithstanding anything in this clause, any prescription or order that was last dispensed more than one year before the claim is received by the Department shall not be a charge to the Department.”

10. Payment for syringes and needles—Clause 21 of the Tariff shall be read as if, for subclause (3), there were substituted the following subclauses:

“(3) Payment of any such claim shall be computed by—

“(a) Adding together—

“(i) The cost price of the requirements concerned; and

“(ii) 26.13 percent of that price; and

“(iii) The appropriate professional fee; and

“(iv) The amount (if any) of goods and services tax payable under the Goods and Services Tax Act 1985 in respect of the provision of those requirements; and

“(b) Subject to subclause (4) of this clause, subtracting \$1.

“(4) In calculating payment for any such claim, \$1 shall not be subtracted if the person for whom the requirement concerned is prescribed belongs to a class of person specified in regulation 4 or regulation 5 of the Social Security (Medical Fees) Regulations 1986 and the said form is endorsed to that effect by the contractor concerned.”

11. Payment for plastic syringes—The Tariff shall be read as if, for clause 22, there were substituted the following clause:

“22. (1) Payment to a contractor for plastic syringes allowed under the Schedule to this direction shall be computed by—

“(a) Adding together—

“(i) The cost price of those syringes; and

“(ii) 26.13 percent of that price; and

“(iii) The appropriate professional fee; and

“(iv) The average container charge; and

“(v) The amount (if any) of goods and services tax payable under the Goods and Services Tax Act 1985 in respect of the provision of those syringes; and

“(b) Subject to subclause (2) of this clause, subtracting \$1.

“(2) In calculating payment for plastic syringes, \$1 shall not be subtracted if—

“(a) The person for whom that requirement is prescribed belongs to a class of person specified in regulation 4 or regulation 5 of the Social Security (Medical Fees) Regulations 1986 and the prescription concerned is either endorsed to that effect by the practitioner concerned or (where the contractor concerned is satisfied that the endorsement or lack of endorsement of the practitioner concerned is erroneous) endorsed to that effect and initialled by the contractor concerned; and

“(b) The prescription concerned relates only to requirements prescribed for that person.”

12. Period and quantity of supply where prescription written by medical practitioner—The Tariff shall be read as if, for clause 25, there were substituted the following clause:

“25. In the case of a prescription for a pharmaceutical requirement (other than an oral contraceptive) written by a medical practitioner, the following provisions shall apply:

“(a) Payment may be made for only such amount of the requirement as is sufficient to provide treatment for a period not exceeding 3 months, or, in the case of a Class B controlled drug, a quantity sufficient to provide treatment for a period not exceeding 1 month:

“(b) Where the medical practitioner has prescribed a quantity sufficient to provide treatment for more than 1 month, that requirement shall be dispensed in monthly lots, unless—

“(i) The medical practitioner endorses the prescription with the quantity to be dispensed on one or more occasions or with a statement of the period for which one or more lots is to be dispensed; or

“(ii) The contractor or the patient endorses the back of the prescription with a statement of the special reasons why a greater quantity is required to be dispensed:

“(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this clause, where the medical practitioner prescribes a pharmaceutical requirement specified in the Schedule to this direction as being subject to ‘antibiotic restriction’, payment may be made for only such amount of the requirement as is sufficient to provide treatment for a period not exceeding 4 days and, where the prescription specifies a repeat, for only such further amount of the requirement as is sufficient to provide treatment for one further period not exceeding 4 days unless the prescription is endorsed ‘extended supply’, and specifies in it the quantity required or the period for which treatment is required, in which case payment may be made for the actual quantity dispensed if that quantity does not exceed that necessary to provide treatment for a period of 3 months;

but where a patient is receiving an extended supply of such a requirement, that requirement shall be dispensed in monthly lots, unless—

“(i) The medical practitioner endorses the prescription with the quantity to be dispensed on one or more occasions or with a statement of the period for which one or more lots is to be dispensed; or

“(ii) The contractor or the patient endorses the prescription with a statement of the special reasons why a greater quantity is required to be dispensed:

“(d) Any prescription that is not presented to a contractor for dispensing within 7 days of its being written in the case of a Class B controlled drug, or within 3 months of its being written in any other case, shall cease to be a charge to the Department:

“(e) A repeat on a prescription that remains unfulfilled after—

“(i) Three months from the date of first dispensing in the case of a prescription for a pharmaceutical requirement for a total supply of from 1 to 3 months; or

“(ii) One month from the date of first dispensing in any other case—

shall cease to be a charge to the Department; but the contractor concerned may submit a claim for the part fulfilment of the total quantity ordered in respect of the part that is due for payment and payment may be made accordingly.”

13. Period and quantity of supply in respect of prescriptions for oral contraceptives—Clause 26 of the Tariff shall be read as if paragraph (a) were revoked.

14. Period and quantity of supply when prescription written by dentist—Clause 27 (c) of the Tariff shall be read as if the words “endorses the prescription with the words extended supply and” were omitted.

15. Original packs and certain antibiotics—Clause 28 of the Tariff shall be read as if, for subclause (1), there were substituted the following subclause:

“(1) Notwithstanding clauses 25 and 27 of this direction, if a practitioner orders a pharmaceutical requirement that is packed in a special container from which it is not practicable to dispense lesser amounts, or in a collapsible tube, every reference in those clauses to an amount for which payment may be made shall be deemed to be a reference—

“(a) Where an amount by weight or volume of the requirement is specified in the prescription, to the smallest container of the requirement, or the smallest number of containers of the requirement, sufficient to provide that amount; and

“(b) In every other case, to the amount contained in the smallest container of the requirement that is manufactured in or imported into New Zealand.”

16. Bulk supply orders—Clause 29 (2) of the Tariff shall be read as if, after the words “controlled drug”, there were inserted the words “or for buprenorphine hydrochloride”.

17. Practitioner's supply orders—Clause 30 (2) (d) of the Tariff shall be read as if—

- (a) After the words “controlled drug”, there were inserted the words “or for buprenorphine hydrochloride”; and
- (b) After the words “Hospital Board”, there were inserted the words “or an Area Health Board”.

18. Endorsement of prescription with words “Approved condition”—The Tariff shall be read as if clause 32 were revoked.

19. Definition of “Antibiotic restriction”—Clause 2 of Part I of the Schedule to the Tariff shall be read as if, for the expression “25 (b)”, there were substituted the expression “25 (c)”.

20. Definition of “Approved condition”—Part I of the Schedule to the Tariff shall be read as if clause 3 were revoked.

21. Definition of “Diabetic syringes”—Clause 5 of Part I of the Schedule to the Tariff shall be read as if, for the expressions “13” and “1”, there were substituted, respectively, the expressions “26” and “2”.

22. Definition of “Hospital Pharmacy”—Clause 6 of Part I of the Schedule to the Tariff shall be read as if, after the words “Hospital Board”, there were inserted the words “or an Area Health Board”.

23. Definition of “Hospital Pharmacy-dermatologist”—Part I of the Schedule to the Tariff shall be read as if, for clause 7, there were substituted the following clause:

“7. ‘Hospital Pharmacy-dermatologist’ means that the pharmaceutical requirement concerned may be supplied free of charge only by a Hospital Board or an Area Health Board to a person who is not an inpatient of a public hospital, and on the prescription of a specialist in dermatology.”

24. Definition of “Hospital Pharmacy-specialist”—Clause 8 of Part I of the Schedule to the Tariff shall be read as if, after the words “Hospital Board”, there were inserted the words “or an Area Health Board”.

25. Definition of “Retail pharmacy-radiotherapist”—Part I of the Schedule to the Tariff shall be read as if, after clause 12, there were inserted the following clause:

“12A. ‘Retail pharmacy-radiotherapist’ means that payment may be made only when the pharmaceutical requirement concerned is supplied on a prescription signed by a specialist in radiotherapy, or, in the case of treatment recommended by a specialist in radiotherapy, a prescription signed by a practitioner and endorsed with the words ‘recommended by [Name of Specialist and year of authorisation]’ written in the practitioner’s own handwriting or signed or initialled by the practitioner.

“A recommendation shall be valid until the expiration of the second year following the year of authorisation.”

26. 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.

27. 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.

28. Revocations—The Drug Tariff 1984, Amendment No. 7* and the Drug Tariff 1984, Amendment No. 8† are hereby revoked.

*S.R. 1986/126
†S.R. 1986/293

SCHEDULES

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FIRST SCHEDULE

DELETIONS

(Whether or not included, in a varied form, in the additions specified in the Second Schedule)

Pharmaceutical Requirement	Availability
Betamethasone and its salts as tablets ..	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Buprenorphine hydrochloride injection ..	(a) Hospital Pharmacy—specialist; or (b) On a practitioner's supply order
Buprenorphine hydrochloride sublingual tablets	Hospital Pharmacy
Captopril tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist
Chlorpropamide .. .. .	..
Contraceptives, caps as approved by the Director-General	Approved condition—only on a wholesale supply order
Contraceptives, condoms as approved by the Director-General	Approved condition—only on a prescription
Contraceptives, condoms with a spermicidal agent, as approved by the Director-General	Approved condition—only on a prescription
Contraceptives, diaphragms as approved by the Director-General	Approved condition—on a prescription or on a practitioner's supply order
Contraceptives, intra-uterine devices as approved by the Director-General	Approved condition—only on a wholesale supply order
Contraceptives, spermicidal agents as approved by the Director-General together with applicator when specified	Approved condition—on a prescription or a practitioner's supply order
Corticotrophin	Hospital Pharmacy
Corticotrophin gelatin injection	Hospital Pharmacy
Corticotrophin zinc injection	Hospital Pharmacy
Demeclocycline hydrochloride capsules 150 mg	Antibiotic restriction
Desipramine hydrochloride .. .. .	..
Desogestrel with ethinyloestradiol tablets ..	Approved condition—on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Diazepam rectal tubes	Only on a practitioner's supply order
*Droperidol	Only on a practitioner's supply order
Ethinylloestradiol with levonorgestrel ..	Approved condition—on a prescription or a practitioner's supply order
Ethinylloestradiol with linoestrenol tablets ..	Approved condition—on a prescription or a practitioner's supply order
Ethinylloestradiol with norethisterone ..	Approved condition—on a prescription or a practitioner's supply order

*Not included in the list of deletions set out in the First Schedule to the Drug Tariff 1984, Amendment No. 7

FIRST SCHEDULE—continued

DELETIONS—continued

(Whether or not included, in a varied form, in the additions specified in the Second Schedule)

Pharmaceutical Requirement	Availability
Ethinodiol diacetate tablets	Approved condition—on a prescription or a practitioner's supply order
Ethinodiol diacetate with ethinyloestradiol ..	Approved condition—on a prescription or a practitioner's supply order
Ethinodiol diacetate with mestranol ..	Approved condition—on a prescription or a practitioner's supply order
Glucose oxidase with peroxidase diagnostic strips for insulin using diabetics as approved by the Director-General (blood testing)	(a) Retail Pharmacy—specialist; or (b) On a practitioner's supply order
Glucose oxidase with peroxidase diagnostic strips for insulin using diabetics as approved by the Director-General (blood testing)	(a) Not available on a practitioner's supply order (b) Not available on a bulk supply order
Hydroxyzine hydrochloride	Hospital Pharmacy
Lactulose	Hospital Pharmacy
Levonorgestrel	Approved condition—on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Medroxyprogesterone acetate injection ..	Approved condition—on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Nefopam hydrochloride injection ..	(a) Hospital Pharmacy—specialist; or (b) On a practitioner's supply order
Neomycin and its salts for topical use ..	..
Nifedipine capsules	Retail Pharmacy—specialist
Norethisterone tablets 0.35 mg	Approved condition—on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Norethisterone with mestranol tablets ..	Approved condition—on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Norethisterone acetate with ethinyloestradiol	Approved condition—on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Norethynodrel with mestranol	Approved condition—on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Norgestrel with ethinyloestradiol ..	Approved condition—on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Paracetamol	Except proprietary oral drops
Pentazocine and its salts as injection and tablets	Hospital Pharmacy, or on practitioner's supply order
Propantheline bromide .. ..	..
Ranitidine hydrochloride injection and tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist
Sodium cromoglycate aerosol inhaler for oral use	..
Sodium valproate	Retail Pharmacy—specialist
Spiroinolactone tablets exceeding 25 mg strength	Retail Pharmacy—specialist
Tamoxifen citrate	Retail Pharmacy—specialist
Tetracosactrin	Hospital Pharmacy
Tetracosactrin, long acting	Hospital Pharmacy
Theophylline long-acting capsules (as approved by the Director-General) and long-acting tablets	..
Tripotassium dicitratobismuthate solution and tablets .. ..	..
Verapamil injection	Hospital Pharmacy—specialist
Vitamin B complex injection as approved by the Director-General	Only on the bulk supply order of a licensed hospital

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Cl. 27

SECOND SCHEDULE

ADDITIONS

Pharmaceutical Requirement	Availability
Acyclovir skin cream	Only on a prescription form, not exceeding 4 g, inclusive of any repeat, per prescription form
Acyclovir tablets	Hospital Pharmacy-specialist
Alclometasone dipropionate cream and ointment	..
*Alprenolol benzoate long-acting tablets and tablets	..
Aluminium hydroxide gel with magnesium hydroxide and activated dimethicone tablets	..
Amiodarone hydrochloride injection and tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist
Amoxycillin with potassium clavulanate syrup and tablets	Antibiotic restriction
Atracurium besylate injection	Only on a wholesale supply order
Auranofin tablets	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
*Beclomethasone dipropionate aerosol for oral use	..
*Benzylamine hydrochloride solution	Retail Pharmacy—radiotherapist
Beta-carotene with canthaxanthin capsules	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Betamethasone sodium phosphate tablets .. .. .	..
*Bismuth subnitrate with frangula bark, magnesium carbonate and sodium bicarbonate tablets	(a) Only on the prescription of a practitioner (b) On any one prescription form payment will be made for no more than a quantity sufficient for 30 days treatment, inclusive of any repeats
Bromazepam tablets	(a) Only on the prescription of a practitioner (b) On any one prescription form payment will be made for no more than a quantity sufficient for 30 days treatment, inclusive of any repeats
Budesonide aerosol inhaler for nasal use .. .. .	..
Budesonide aerosol inhaler for oral use .. .. .	..
Buprenorphine hydrochloride injection and tablets	..
Captopril tablets .. .. .	..
Castor oil with resorcinol, salicylic acid and undecylenic alkanolamide scalp solution	..
Clobazam tablets	Retail Pharmacy—specialist
Clonidine transdermal delivery system .. .. .	..
Contraceptives, caps as approved by the Director-General	Only on a wholesale supply order
Contraceptives, condoms as approved by the Director-General	Only on a prescription
Contraceptives, condoms with a spermicidal agent, as approved by the Director-General	Only on a prescription
Contraceptives, diaphragms as approved by the Director-General	On a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Contraceptives, intra-uterine devices as approved by the Director-General	Only on a wholesale supply order
Contraceptives, spermicidal agents as approved by the Director-General together with applicator when specified	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Corticotrophin gelatin injection .. .. .	..
Desipramine hydrochloride	Hospital Pharmacy
Desogestrel with ethinyloestradiol tablets	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Diazepam rectal tubes
*Diclofenac sodium injection and suppositories	..

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SECOND SCHEDULE—continued

ADDITIONS—continued

Pharmaceutical Requirement	Availability
Diltiazem hydrochloride tablets .. .. .	..
*Droperidol injection .. .. .	..
Econazole foaming solution .. .. .	..
*Enalapril maleate tablets .. .. .	..
Ephedrine sulphate injection .. .. .	..
Ethinylestradiol with levonorgestrel ..	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Ethinylestradiol with lynoestrenol tablets ..	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Ethinylestradiol with norethisterone ..	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Ethynodiol diacetate tablets	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Ethynodiol diacetate with ethinylestradiol ..	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Ethynodiol diacetate with mestranol ..	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
*Fenbufen capsules and tablets .. .. .	..
*Fenoterol hydrobromide with ipratropium bromide aerosol inhaler .. .. .	..
Flecainide acetate injection and tablets ..	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
*Flucloxacillin magnesium syrup	Antibiotic restriction
Flucloxacillin sodium injection .. .. .	..
Gentamicin sulphate eye drops	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Gliclazide tablets .. .. .	..
Glucose oxidase with peroxidase diagnostic strips for insulin using diabetics as approved by the Director-General (blood testing)	..
Glycerol with paraffin liquid and cetyl alcohol skin lotion .. .. .	..
Glyceryl trinitrate aerosol inhaler for oral use ..	..
*Hydrocortisone with miconazole nitrate cream ..	..
Hydroxyzine hydrochloride tablets .. .. .	..
Ibuprofen oral mixture .. .. .	..
Indapamide tablets .. .. .	..
*Insulin isophane, human, injection 100 units per ml ..	..
*Insulin isophane, human, with insulin neutral, human, injection 100 units per ml ..	..
*Insulin neutral, human, injection 100 units per ml ..	..
*Insulin zinc suspension, human, injection 100 units per ml ..	..
*Insulin zinc suspension, crystalline, human, injection 100 units per ml ..	..
Ketotifen syrup and tablets .. .. .	..
Lactulose .. .. .	..
*Levobunolol eye drops	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Levonorgestrel	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Lithium carbonate capsules .. .. .	..
Loprazolam mesylate tablets	(a) Only on the prescription of a practitioner (b) On any one prescription form payment will be made for no more than a quantity sufficient for 30 days' treatment, inclusive of any repeats
Mannitol sachets

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SECOND SCHEDULE—continued

ADDITIONS—continued

Pharmaceutical Requirement	Availability
Mebendazole oral suspension	Only on a prescription not exceeding 30 ml per person
Medroxyprogesterone acetate injection	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Mefloquine with pyrimethamine and sulphadoxine tablets prescribed for the treatment of chloroquine resistant falciparum malaria	Hospital Pharmacy-specialist
Methylidigoxin injection and tablets .. .. .	..
*Metoclopramide suppositories .. .. .	..
Metoclopramide hydrochloride with paracetamol tablets	..
*Metoprolol succinate long-acting tablets .. .. .	..
Midazolam injection	Only on a wholesale supply order
Mini peak flow meters as approved by the Director-General	Only on a wholesale supply order
Minocycline hydrochloride tablets 50 mg	Antibiotic restriction
Morphine sulphate long-acting tablets .. .. .	..
*Mupirocin ointment .. .. .	..
Nadolol tablets .. .. .	..
Naphazoline hydrochloride with pheniramine maleate eye drops	..
Naproxen long-acting tablets .. .. .	..
Nefopam hydrochloride injection	Only on a practitioner's supply order
Neomycin and its salts as skin preparations	..
Neomycin sulphate, with or without other pharmaceutical requirements, in extemporaneously compounded preparations	..
Nifedipine capsules and tablets .. .. .	..
Norethisterone tablets 0.35 mg	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Norethisterone with mestranol tablets	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Norethisterone acetate with ethinyloestradiol	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Norethynodrel with mestranol	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
Norfloxacin tablets	Hospital Pharmacy-specialist
Norgestrel with ethinyloestradiol	Only on a prescription or practitioner's supply order
*Oestrogens, conjugated equine tablets with norgestrel tablets	..
Ornidazole oral tablets with a vaginal tablet	..
Ornidazole suppositories and vaginal tablets	..
Oxybutynin chloride syrup and tablets	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Oxycodone pectinate suppositories .. .. .	..
Paracetamol	Except proprietary oral drops and proprietary oral mixtures exceeding 120 mg per 5 ml
Paraffin liquid with wool fat liquid eye ointment	..
Pentazocine and its salts as an injection and tablets	Only on a practitioner's supply order

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SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*ADDITIONS—*continued*

Pharmaceutical Requirement	Availability
Pirenzepine hydrochloride tablets ..	(a) On a prescription with a daily dose not exceeding 50 mg; or (b) On a prescription with a daily dose exceeding 50 mg, in which case payment will be made for no more than a quantity sufficient for 30 days treatment, inclusive of any repeats, on any one prescription form
Piroxicam tablets .. .. .	..
Povidone iodine ointment in packs of 25 g or 100 g	..
Probucof tablets	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Propantheline bromide tablets .. .. .	..
Ranitidine hydrochloride injection .. .. .	..
Ranitidine hydrochloride tablets	(a) Only on a prescription with a daily dose not exceeding 150mg; or (b) On a prescription with a daily dose exceeding 150 mg, in which case payment will be made for no more than a quantity sufficient for 30 days treatment, inclusive of any repeats, on any one prescription form
Salbutamol sulphate nebulising solution in single dose units	..
Sodium alginate with sodium bicarbonate oral mixture	..
Sodium cromoglycate aerosol inhaler of 1mg per dose for oral use	..
Sodium cromoglycate eye ointment	Hospital Pharmacy
Sodium valproate .. .. .	..
Sotalol hydrochloride injection and tablets .. .. .	..
Sucralfate tablets	(a) Only on the prescription of a practitioner (b) On any one prescription form payment will be made for no more than a quantity sufficient for 30 days treatment, inclusive of any repeats
Sulphasalazine enema	Retail Pharmacy—specialist
Tamoxifen citrate .. .. .	..
Terfenadine tablets .. .. .	..
Tetracosactrin .. .. .	..
Tetracosactrin, long-acting .. .. .	..
Theophylline long-acting capsules and long-acting tablets	..
*Tiaprofenic acid tablets .. .. .	..
Tioconazole skin lotion .. .. .	..
Tobramycin eye ointment	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Triamcinolone hexacetonide injection .. .. .	..
Tripotassium dicitratobismuthate solution and tablets	(a) Only on the prescription of a practitioner (b) On any one prescription form payment will be made for no more than a quantity sufficient for 30 days treatment, inclusive of any repeats

*Not included in the list of additions set out in the Second Schedule to the Drug Tariff 1984, Amendment No. 7

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*ADDITIONS—*continued*

Pharmaceutical Requirement	Availability
Vecuronium bromide injection	Only on a wholesale supply order
Verapamil injection . . . . .	. . . . .
*Verapamil hydrochloride long-acting capsules	. . . . .
and long-acting tablets	
Vitamin B complex injection as approved by the Director-General	Only on a bulk supply order

Dated at Wellington this 23rd day of October 1986.

MICHAEL BASSETT,
Minister of Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This direction, which comes into force on 1 December 1986, has 5 effects. First, it reflects the removal of price control on pharmaceutical requirements, at present required under the Commerce Act 1986.

Secondly, it provides that prescriptions and orders submitted to the Department of Health for reimbursement one year or more after the date of last dispensing cease to be a charge to that department.

Thirdly, it provides new on-cost margins on pharmaceutical requirements payable to contractors. These arise out of the commencement of the Goods and Services Tax Act 1985.

Fourthly, it introduces a new restriction on the availability of certain pharmaceutical requirements—"Retail pharmacy—radiotherapist". Requirements so restricted will be available free of charge only where they are supplied on the prescription or recommendation of a specialist in radiotherapy.

Fifthly, it provides for deletions from and additions to the list of pharmaceutical requirements in Part II of the Schedule to the Drug Tariff 1984. 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>
Bactroban	Mupirocin
Becotide 100	Beclomethasone dipropionate
Betagan (Retail Pharmacy-specialist)	Levobunolol
Civacor Retard	Verapamil hydrochloride
Daktacort	Hydrocortisone with miconazole nitrate
Difflam (Retail Pharmacy-radiotherapist)	Benzydamine hydrochloride
Duovent aerosol	Fenoterol hydrobromide with ipratropium bromide aerosol inhaler
Isoptin SR	Verapamil hydrochloride
Lederfen	Fenbufen
Maxolon suppositories	Metoclopramide
Prempak-C	Oestrogens, conjugated equine tablets with norgestrel tablets
Roter (one month's supply)	Bismuth subnitrate with frangula bark, magnesium carbonate and sodium bicarbonate
Surgam	Tiaprofenic acid
Voltaren suppositories	Diclofenac sodium

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