



## THE DRUG TARIFF 1987, 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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### DIRECTION

**1. Title and commencement**—(1) This direction may be cited as the Drug Tariff 1987, Amendment No. 1, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Drug Tariff 1987\* (hereinafter referred to as the Tariff).

(2) This direction shall come into force on the 1st day of April 1988.

**2. Scope of direction**—Clause 3 (2) of the Tariff shall be read as if there were inserted, after paragraph (p), the following paragraph:

"(pa) Unless it is specified in Part II of the Schedule that they may be in such a form, substances in a form intended for intravenous delivery (otherwise than by injection):"

**3. Charges for requirements**—Clause 5 (2) (b) of the Tariff shall be read as if, for the expression "21 (1) (b)", there were substituted the expression "19 (1) (b)".

**4. Period and quantity of supply for prescriptions for oral contraceptives**—Clause 21 of the Tariff shall be read as if there were inserted, after paragraph (d), the following paragraph:

"(da) If the prescription is not presented to a contractor for dispensing within 3 months of its being written, the requirements on it shall cease to be a charge to the Department:"

**5. Definition of “Antibiotic restriction”**—Clause 1 of Part I of the Schedule shall be read as if, for the expression “20 (b), there were substituted the expression “20 (c)”.

**6. Definition of “Month restriction”**—Part I of the Schedule shall be read as if, for Clause 11, there were substituted the following clause:

“11. ‘Month restriction’ means that where there is prescribed a total quantity of the requirement concerned (whether or not that quantity includes repeats) that is a supply for a period exceeding one month, payment will not be made for any quantity of the requirement in excess of the quantity that is a supply for a period of one month.”

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

**8. Certain pharmaceutical requirements added to Part II of Schedule to Tariff**—Part II of the Schedule 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.

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## FIRST SCHEDULE

*Deletions*

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

Requirement	Availability
Baclofea tablets	...
Bacitracin and its salts with neomycin sulphate in proprietary preparations	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Benzalkonium chloride tincture	...
Betamethasone valerate with or without chlortetracycline hydrochloride or clioquinol or neomycin sulphate or gentamicin sulphate as skin preparations	...
Cefaclor monohydrate oral suspension	Antibiotic restriction
Fusidic acid cream and gel	...
Fusidic acid, sodium salt ointment	...
Gentamicin sulphate cream and ointment	...
Mianserin hydrochloride tablets	Retail Pharmacy-specialist prescription

## SECOND SCHEDULE

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*Additions*

Requirement	Availability
Acipimox capsules	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Acitretin capsules	Hospital Pharmacy-dermatologist
Bacitracin and its salts with neomycin sulphate in proprietary preparations	...
Baclofen tablets	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Betamethasone valerate with or without chlortetracycline hydrochloride, clioquinol, or neomycin sulphate, as a skin preparation	...
Betamethasone valerate with gentamicin sulphate skin preparations	Only when prescribed in a quantity not exceeding 15g per prescription form
Calcium carbimide tablets	...
Cefaclor monohydrate oral suspension 125mg per 5ml	Antibiotic restriction
Chlorhexidine gluconate with methylated spirits, industrial, or with isopropyl alcohol	Only when prescribed in a quantity not exceeding 500ml per month for dialysis patients
Coal tar with dithranol and salicylic acid ointment	Only in packs of 25g or 50g
Cyproterone acetate with ethinyloestradiol tablets	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Enoxacin tablets	Hospital Pharmacy-specialist
Ethinyloestradiol with gestodene tablets	...
Famotidine tablets	Month restriction unless on a prescription with a daily dose not exceeding 20mg
Fenoterol hydrobromide with ipratropium bromide as capsules for oral inhalation	...
Fusidic acid cream and gel	Only when prescribed in a quantity not exceeding 15g per prescription form
Fusidic acid, sodium salt ointment	Only when prescribed in a quantity not exceeding 15g per prescription form

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*  
*Additions—continued*

Requirement	Availability
Gentamicin sulphate cream and ointment	Only when prescribed in a quantity not exceeding 15g per prescription form
Hydrochlorothiazide with metoprolol tartrate tablets	...
Hydrocortisone with aesculin and cinchocaine hydrochloride ointment and suppositories	...
Isosorbide dinitrate long-acting tablets	...
Lignocaine hydrochloride injection	Only when prescribed for a dialysis patient
Lisinopril tablets	...
Magnesium hydroxide tablets	Only when prescribed for a dialysis patient
Mebeverine hydrochloride tablets	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Midazolam tablets	...
Morphine tartrate injection	...
Olsalazine sodium capsules	Retail Pharmacy-specialist
Povidone iodine alcoholic skin preparation	Only when prescribed in a quantity not exceeding 500ml per month for a dialysis patient
Povidone iodine antiseptic solution	Only when prescribed in a quantity not exceeding 500ml per month for a dialysis patient
Salbutamol sulphate aerosol inhaler	...
Tolciclate cream, lotion and powder	...
Triamcinolone acetonide proprietary cream and ointment	...

Dated at Wellington this 23rd day of February 1988.

DAVID CAYGILL,  
 Minister of Health.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This direction makes minor amendments to, and also provides for deletions from and additions to the list of pharmaceutical requirements in Part II of the Schedule to, the Drug Tariff 1987. Some deleted requirements have not disappeared, as they have been added again in a varied form. Some requirements added are:

<i>Trade Name</i>	<i>Official Name</i>
Betaloc + HCT	Hydrochlorothiazide with metoprolol tartrate
Carvasin SA	Isosorbide dinitrate
Colofac	Mebeverine hydrochloride
Comprecin	Enoxacin
Diane	Cyproterone acetate with ethinyloestradiol
Dipentum	Olsalazine sodium
Dipsan	Calcium carbimide
Duovent Inhalets	Fenoterol hydrobromide with ipratropium bromide
Femodene	Ethinyloestradiol with gestodene
Hypnovel tablets	Midazolam
Olbetam	Acipimox
Pepcidine	Famotidine
Prinivil	Lisinopril
Psorin (25g or 50g)	Coal tar with dithranol and salicylic acid
Respolin	Salbutamol sulphate
Tolmicen	Tolciclate
Zestril	Lisinopril

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