

# **Misuse of Drugs (Singapore Armed Forces) (Exemption) Regulations**

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### **MISUSE OF DRUGS ACT (CHAPTER 185, SECTION 44)**

### **MISUSE OF DRUGS (SINGAPORE ARMED FORCES) (EXEMPTION) REGULATIONS**

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1. These Regulations may be cited as the Misuse of Drugs (Singapore Armed Forces) (Exemption) Regulations.

## **Singapore Armed Forces**

2. Notwithstanding sections 5 and 8 of the Act —

- (a) any commander of a ship or aircraft operated by the Singapore Armed Forces may, in the course of his duty and acting in his capacity as such, possess, supply or administer any controlled drug specified in the Second or Third Schedule to the Misuse of Drugs Regulations (Rg 1);
- (b) any officer in charge of a maintenance and servicing depot for aircrafts operated by the Singapore Armed Forces may, in the course of his duty and acting in his capacity as such, possess and supply any controlled drug specified in the Second or Third Schedule to the Misuse of Drugs Regulations; and
- (c) any member of the Singapore Armed Forces other than those referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b) may possess, supply or administer any controlled drug specified in the Second or Third Schedule to the Misuse of Drugs Regulations (Rg 1) if —
  - (i) the possession, supply or administration, as the case may be, is authorised in writing by a medical practitioner of the same unit; or
  - (ii) the authorisation shall be made out in Form A in the Schedule and shall state the identity card number, rank and name of the member so authorised, the name and quantity of the drug so authorised, the duration for which the authorisation is valid, the identity card number, rank and name of the medical practitioner issuing the authorisation and the date of issue.

## **Responsibility of issuing authority**

3. Any medical practitioner issuing the authorisation referred to in regulation 2(c) shall —

- (a) not issue the authorisation unless he is satisfied that the drug is required for contingencies of the services of the Singapore Armed Forces and that the authorisation is issued in accordance with any standing order that may currently be in force in the Singapore Armed Forces;
- (b) ensure that the member so authorised is provided with a locked receptacle, wherever possible, in which the drug is to be stored; and

- (c) require that the drug be returned to the store from where it was obtained or accounted for when it is no longer required or at the expiry of the authorisation, as the case may be, and cancel the authorisation so issued.

### **Responsibility of persons authorised**

4. Any member of the Singapore Armed Forces authorised in accordance with regulation 2 shall —

- (a) at all times keep the drug in the locked receptacle provided for the purpose wherever this is possible;
- (b) keep a record of the supply or administration of the drug in his charge in Form B in the Schedule; and
- (c) return the drug supplied to him in accordance with any authorisation issued under these Regulations to the store from where it was obtained when the drug is no longer required or at the expiry of the authorisation, as the case may be.

### **Preservation of records and inspection**

5. All authorisations, records and related documents issued and kept under these Regulations shall be —

- (a) preserved in the unit of the Singapore Armed Forces to which they relate for a period of 3 years; and
- (b) subject to inspection at all times by any officer empowered under the Act or by any inspector appointed under the Misuse of Drugs Regulations (Reg 1).

### **Penalties**

6.—(1) Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to both.

(2) Any penalty imposed in accordance with this regulation shall not be prejudicial to any action taken by the Singapore Armed Forces.

## **THE SCHEDULE**

Regulation 2(c)(ii)