

Misuse of Drugs (Urine Specimens and Urine Tests) Regulations

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Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Misuse of Drugs (Urine Specimens and Urine Tests) Regulations.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“Chief Executive of the Health Sciences Authority” means the Chief Executive of the Health Sciences Authority appointed under section 15 of the Health Sciences Authority Act 2001;

“enforcement officer” means an officer of the Central Narcotics Bureau, an immigration officer, a police officer not below the rank of sergeant, a serviceman in the Singapore Armed Forces who is appointed by the Minister as an enforcement officer under section 31(1B) of the Act or a supervision officer appointed under regulation 15(1) of the Misuse of Drugs (Approved Institutions and Treatment and Rehabilitation) Regulations (Rg 3).

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Taking and depositing of urine specimens

3.—(1) Every suspect who is required to give a urine specimen for urine tests under section 31 of the Act or regulation 15(3)(f) of the Misuse of Drugs (Approved Institutions, Medical Observation and Treatment and Rehabilitation) Regulations (Rg 3), and every enforcement officer or other officer authorised by the enforcement officer taking the urine specimen, must do so in accordance with the First Schedule.

(2) Only a person authorised by the Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Home Affairs or the Chief Executive of the Health Sciences Authority may have possession of the key to any security box.

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Collection and delivery of security boxes

4. Every person involved in the collection and delivery of urine specimens deposited in security boxes must do so in accordance with the Second Schedule.

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Urine test

5. The Chief Executive of the Health Sciences Authority must arrange for each of the 2 urine specimens to be tested by a different officer and the results of the 2 urine tests

must be sent to the enforcement officer in charge of the case.

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FIRST SCHEDULE

Regulation 3(1)

PROCUREMENT OF URINE SPECIMEN

1. A suspect who is required to provide a specimen of his urine shall be directed by an enforcement officer to wash and dry his hands.

2. The suspect shall be asked by an enforcement officer to choose, in the presence of the enforcement officer, a master bottle that is pre-packed and sealed from a lot of not less than 10 bottles provided by the enforcement officer and 2 containers that are pre-packed and sealed from a lot of not less than 20 containers provided by the enforcement officer.

3.—(1) The suspect shall then carry with him the master bottle and the 2 containers of his choice and be escorted by the enforcement officer (or some other officer authorised by the enforcement officer) to an appropriate place to provide his urine specimen.

(2) The master bottle and 2 containers shall, in the presence of the suspect and officer escorting the suspect, be removed from the sealed packs, whether before or after the suspect is escorted to the appropriate place to provide his urine specimen.

4.—(1) The suspect shall urinate into the master bottle.

(2) The officer escorting the suspect shall ensure that the urine specimen in the master bottle is that of the suspect and not that of any other person.

Where urine specimen in master bottle is 80 ml or more

5.—(1) Where the volume of the suspect's urine specimen in the master bottle is 80 ml or more, 30 ml or more of the urine specimen shall be transferred by the suspect or an enforcement officer, with both present, from the master bottle into each of the 2 containers.

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(2) The remaining urine specimen in the master bottle shall be used for a urine screening test and the master bottle shall then be discarded.

(3) While waiting for the screening test result, the 2 containers may be temporarily sealed by an enforcement officer and returned to the suspect.

(4) After the screening test result is ready, an enforcement officer shall seal the 2 containers in the presence of the suspect for the purpose of analysis by the Health Sciences Authority, following the procedures as set out in paragraph 13.

Where urine specimen in master bottle is less than 80 ml

6.—(1) Where the volume of the suspect's urine specimen in the master bottle is less than 80 ml, some of the urine specimen may be transferred by the suspect or an enforcement officer, with both present, from the master bottle into one of the 2 containers.