SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2000 No. 50

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2000

Made - - - -	*8th March 2000*
Laid before the Scottish Parliament - - - -	*10th March 2000*
Coming into force - -	*1st April 2000*

The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by sections 69, 75A(1), 105(7) and 108(1) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978(**1**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2000 and shall come into force on 1st April 2000.

(2) In these Regulations, "the principal Regulations" means the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Regulations 1989(**2**).

Amendments to the principal Regulations: amounts specified

2.—(1) In regulation 3(1)(b) of the principal Regulations (supply of drugs and appliances by chemists), for the figure "£5.90" there is substituted the figure "£6.00".

(2) In regulation 8(5) of the principal Regulations (pre-payment certificates)–

(a) for the figure "£30.80" there is substituted the figure "£31.40"; and

(b) for the figure "£84.60" there is substituted the figure "£86.20".

(**1**) 1978 c. 29; section 75A was inserted by the Social Security Act 1988 (c. 7), section 14 and amended by the Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c. 49), Schedule 2, paragraph 13 and the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19), Schedule 9, paragraph 19(13) and by the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 (c. 46), Schedule 2, paragraph 50; section 105(7), which contains provisions relevant to the making of regulations was amended by the Health Services Act 1980 (c. 53), Schedule 6, paragraph 5 and Schedule 7 and by the Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983 (c. 41), Schedule 9, paragraph 24, and by the Health Act 1999 (c. 8), Schedule 4, paragraph 60; section 108(1) contains definitions of "prescribed" and "regulations" relevant to the exercise of the statutory powers under which these Regulations are made. The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46).

(**2**) S.I. 1989/326, relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1990/468, 1990/787, 1991/574, 1992/394, 1993/522, 1994/697, 1995/699 and 2739, 1996/740, 1997/697, 1998/609 and 1999/612.

(3) For Schedules 1, 2 and 3 to the principal Regulations there is substituted those Schedules as set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

Application

3. These Regulations shall apply in relation to supplies of drugs and appliances made after 31st March 2000 except that–

(a) the substitution of Schedule 3 by regulation 2(3) above shall apply only where the examination or first examination leading to the supply of the specified appliance takes place after that date; and

(b) the amendment of regulation 8 (pre-payment certificates) of the principal Regulations by regulation 2(2) above shall apply only where the application referred to in paragraph (1) of the said regulation 8 is received after that date.

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8th March 2000

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