This Statutory Rule has been made in consequence of defects in Statutory Rule 2006 No. 264 and is being issued free of charge to all known recipients of that Statutory Rule.

STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2006 No. 334

DANGEROUS DRUGS

The Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006

Made - - - -	*11th August 2006*
Coming into operation	*1st September 2006*

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 7, 10, and 31 of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971(**1**), as adapted by section 38 of that Act and now vested in it(**2**).

In accordance with section 31(3) of that Act, it has consulted with the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006 and shall come into operation on 1st September 2006.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**3**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

Amendment of the Misuse of Drugs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002

3. The Misuse of Drugs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002(**4**) shall be amended in accordance with regulations 4 to 7.

4. In regulation 2—

(a) for the definition of ""private prescribing", substitute

(**1**) 1971 c. 38
(**2**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504; Article 5(a) and S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1); Article 3(6)
(**3**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(**4**) S.R. 2002 No. 1; the relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2006 No. 264

""private prescribing" means issuing prescriptions other than health prescriptions or veterinary prescriptions;";

(b) after the definition of "supplementary prescriber" insert—

""veterinary prescription" means a prescription issued by a veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner for the purposes of animal treatment;".

5.—(1) In regulation 15(1)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (aa), (**5**), after "health prescription" insert " or a veterinary prescription";

(b) after sub-paragraph (aa), insert—

"(ab) except in the case of a health prescription or a veterinary prescription, specify the prescriber identification number of the person issuing it;"

(c) in sub-paragraph (c), omit "prescriber identification number and the".

(2) In regulation 15(1A)(**6**), after "health prescription" insert "or a veterinary prescription".

6. In regulation 16—

(a) in paragraph (1)(a), for "subject to paragraphs (1A) and 1C)", substitute

"subject to paragraphs (1A) and (1C)".

(b) in paragraph (2), for "unless it is a health prescription", substitute "if it is a veterinary prescription,".

7.—(1) In regulation 23(3)—

(a) for "or prescription (other than a health prescription)", substitute "and veterinary prescription";

(b) after "regulations", insert ", and every prescription (other than a health prescription) on which a controlled drug specified in Schedules 4 or 5 is so supplied,".

(2) In regulation 23(4), after "health prescription" insert "or a veterinary prescription".

Amendment of the Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006

8. In regulation 2(2) of the Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006(**7**), for "1st January 2007" substitute "1st January 2008".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on 11th August 2006.

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(**5**) Sub-paragraph (aa) was inserted into Regulation 15(1) by S.R. 2006 No. 264
(**6**) Regulation 15(1A) was inserted by S.R. 2006 No. 264
(**7**) S.R. 2006 No. 264