The Ministry of Finance hereby approves of the foregoing Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 1st day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-nine, in the presence of

(L.S.) *K. R. Shimeld*
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations provide for the division of the school year into three terms: they also remove certain anomalies regarding Religious Instruction in Special Schools, lay down qualifications for teachers of partially deaf pupils, and provide for the reduction in exceptional circumstances of the period of 18 weeks a married woman teacher is required to be absent preceding and succeeding child birth, e.g., where the child does not live and it is desirable, in the interests of the teacher, that she should return to duty as soon as possible.

1959. No. 84 [C]

DANGEROUS DRUGS

Methylmorphine, Ethylmorphine, Morpholinylethylmorphine and Dihydrocodeine

REGULATIONS, DATED 11TH MAY, 1959, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTIONS NINE AND TEN OF THE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT, 1951.

The Ministry of Home Affairs (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections nine and ten of the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1951(**a**), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Dangerous Drugs Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1959, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of July, 1959.

Revocation

2. The Dangerous Drugs Regulations, 1938(**b**), shall cease to have effect in so far as they relate to Morpholinylethylmorphine and Dihydrocodeine.

(**a**) 14 & 15 Geo. 6, c. 48, (**b**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1938, No. 55.

Interpretation

3.—(1) "Authorised seller of poisons" means an authorised seller of poisons within the meaning of the Medicines, Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Northern Ireland), 1945(**a**).

(2) "drug" means—

(*a*) methylmorphine (also known as codeine), ethylmorphine (also known as dionin) and their salts (being drugs to which Part III of the Act applies with modifications by virtue of subsection (3) of section ten thereof and the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1951 (Application) Order, 1952(**b**)),

(*b*) morpholinylethylmorphine and its salts (being drugs comprised in paragraph (*h*) of subsection (1) of the said section ten) and dihydrocodeine and its salts (being drugs to which the said Part III applies by virtue of subsection (2) of the said section ten and the aforesaid Order);

(3) "register" means a bound book but does not include any form of loose-leaf register or card index;

(4) "wholesaler dealer" means a person who carries on the business of selling drugs to persons who buy to sell again.

Manufacture of drugs

4. No person shall manufacture, or carry on any process in the manufacture of, a drug—

(*a*) unless he is licensed under this Regulation so to do; nor

(*b*) otherwise than in accordance with the terms and conditions of his licence,

Supply of drugs

5.—(1) A wholesale dealer shall not supply a drug to any person, whether in Northern Ireland or elsewhere—

(*a*) unless he is licensed under this Regulation so to do;

(*b*) otherwise than in accordance with the terms and conditions of his licence; or

(*c*) if the drug is to be supplied in any one transaction in a quantity exceeding one pound avoirdupois, unless the person to whom it is to be supplied is licensed under Regulation 6 to be in possession of more than one pound avoirdupois of the drug.

(2) For the purposes of this Regulation a wholesale dealer licensed to supply a drug shall be deemed to be a person duly licensed to be in possession of more than one pound avoirdupois of the drug.

Possession of drugs

6.—(1) A person shall not be in possession of a drug in a quantity exceeding one pound avoirdupois unless he is licensed under this Regulation.

(2) For the purposes of these Regulations a person shall be deemed to be in possession of a drug if it is in his actual custody or is held by some other person subject to his control or for him and on his behalf.

(**a**) 1945, c. 9. (**b**) S.I. 1952, No. 347.