VENEREAL DISEASES.

Rules.

THE VENEREAL DISEASES (NORTHERN IRELAND) RULES, 1943, DATED 13TH MARCH, 1943, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER REGULATION 33B OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

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The Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Regulation 33B of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, hereby makes the following rules :—

1. These rules may be cited as the Venereal Diseases (Northern Ireland) Rules, 1943.

2. A notice under paragraph (1) of Regulation 33B of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, a notice under paragraph (2) of that Regulation and a treatment notice under that Regulation shall be in the respective forms, and as regards a notice under the said paragraph (1) shall give the particulars, set out in the schedule to these rules and headed respectively Form 1, Form 2 and Form 3 or in a form substantially to the like effect approved by the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland.

SCHEDULE.

Confidential. FORM 1.

DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS—REGULATION 33B.

NOTICE OF SUSPECTED SOURCE OF INFECTION.

PART I.

Particulars of patient suffering from venereal disease.

Full name .....

Address .....

Disease .....

PART II.

* Particulars of person from whom the patient named in Part I suspects that the disease was contracted.

Name (if known) .....

Address (if known) .....

Other Identifying Particulars (if name or address unknown) .....

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Date ....., Signed .....
(name of special practitioner)

This notice must be sent to the Medical Superintendent Officer of Health of the County Borough in which the address given in Part II of the notice is situated

or

To the registered medical practitioner designated for the purposes of Regulation 33B by the Ministry of Home Affairs as Medical Officer of Health of the County in which the address given in Part II of the notice is situated.

The envelope in which it is sent must be marked "Strictly Confidential."

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* Before the patient is asked to give detailed information as to the suspected source of infection his attention must be drawn to the notes overleaf.

Notes for Information of Patients.

1. All information given by patients as to the suspected source of infection will be treated as strictly confidential.

2. No proceedings for libel or slander will lie against any patient with regard to information so given in good faith.

3. It is an offence under the Defence Regulations to make any statement as to the suspected source of infection which is known to be false in a material particular. The maximum penalties incurred are, on summary conviction, three months' imprisonment or a fine of £100, or both imprisonment and fine.

FORM 2.

DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS—REGULATION 33B.

NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT TO MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

To .....

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(name and address)

I have received information in pursuance of the above Regulation which gives reason to believe that you may require treatment in respect of venereal disease. In accordance with paragraph (2) of the above Regulation I hereby require you to attend for and submit to medical examination by a special practitioner within .....days of the receipt of this notice, and to send to me within ten days of the date of this notice a certificate signed by a special practitioner showing that you have complied with the requirements of this notice.

You may obtain medical examination, and (if necessary) any subsequent treatment, free of charge, from the following special practitioner(s) :—

Name.	Address.	Hours.
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You should read carefully the explanatory notes overleaf.

Date.....

Signed.....
(Medical Superintendent Officer of Health.
Designated Medical Officer of Health for
County .....)
(Delete as necessary)

Address .....

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Explanatory Notes.

1. When you receive this notice it is your duty to be examined by a "special practitioner" within the period stated in the notice. It is not enough to go to any doctor for examination—you must go to a "special practitioner".