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# PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS

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An Act to provide for the establishment of the Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Board, the registration and disciplining of pharmacists, pharmacy technologists and pharmacy assistants, the training within Malawi of pharmacists, pharmacy technologists and pharmacy assistants, the licensing of traders in medicines and poisons and generally for the control and regulation of the profession of pharmacy in Malawi and for matters incidental to or connected therewith

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PART I

**PRELIMINARY** 

[Ch3501s1]1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Act.

[Ch3501s2]2. Interpretation

(1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

"administer" means administer to a human being or an animal, whether orally, by injection or by introduction into the body in any other way, or by external application, whether by direct contact with the body or not; and any reference in this Act to administering a substance or article is a reference to administering it either in its existing state or after it has been dissolved or dispensed in, or diluted or mixed with, some other substance used as a vehicle for such administration;

"animal test certificate" has the meaning assigned to it by section 43 (c) (ii);

"assemble", in relation to a medicinal product, means—

- (a) enclosing the product, with or without other medicinal products of the same description, in a container which is labelled before the product is sold or supplied; or
- (b) where the product, with or without other medicinal products of the same description, is already enclosed in the container in which it is to be sold or supplied, labelling the container before the product is sold or supplied in it; and

"assembly" has a corresponding meaning;

"authorized seller of poisons" is a person, other than a person lawfully conducting a retail pharmacy business, who may sell Part II poisons pursuant to section 55 (2) (b);

"Board" means the Pharmarcy, Medicines and Poisons Board established by section 3;

"business" includes a professional practice and any activity carried on by a person or a body of persons, whether corporate or unincorporate;

"clinical officer" means a person dully registered as such under the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Act; Cap. 36:01

"clinical trial" and "clinical trial certificate" have the meaning assigned to them by section 42;

"composition", in relation to a medicinal product, means the ingredients of which it consists and the proportions, and the degree of strength, quality and purity, in which those ingredients are contained in it;

"container" in relation to a medicinal product, means a bottle, jar, box, packet or other receptacle which contains or is to contain it, not being a capsule, cachet or other article in which the product is or is to be administered, and, where any such receptacle is or is to be contained in another such receptacle, includes the former but does not include the latter receptacle;

"dentist" or "dental assistant" means a person registered as such under the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Act; Cap. 36:01

"despensing" means selling or supplying a medical product;

"dispensing licence" has the meaning assigned to it in section 35 (4);

"hospital" includes a clinic, dispensary or similar institution;

"ingredients" in relation to the manufacture or preparation of a substance, includes anything which is the sole active ingredient of that substance as manufactured or prepared;

"inspector" means a person appointed under section 59;

"labelling", in relation to a container or package or medicinal products, means affixing to or otherwise displaying on the container or package a notice describing or otherwise relating to the contents thereof, and "label" has a corresponding meaning;

"leaflet" includes any written information;

"licensing authority" means the authority upon which responsibility for licensing has been conferred by section 34;

"manufacture", in relation to a medicinal product, includes any process carried out in the course of making the medicinal product but does not include dissolving or dispensing the medicinal product in, or diluting or mixing it with, some other substance used as a vehicle for the purpose of administering it or the incorporation of the product in any animal feed;

"manufacturer's licence" has the meaning assigned to it in section 35 (2);

"medical practitioner" or "medical assistant" means a person registered as such under the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Act; Cap. 36:01

"medicinal product" means any substance or article which is manufactured, sold, supplied, imported or exported for use wholly or mainly in either or both of the following ways—

- (a) use by being administered to a human being or an animal for a medicinal purpose;
- (b) use as an ingredient in the preparation of a substance or article which is to be administered to a human being or an animal for a medicinal purpose,

but it shall not include an instrument, apparatus or appliance;

"medicinal purpose" means any one or more of the following purposes—

- (a) treating or preventing diseases;
- (b) diagnosing disease or ascertaining the existence, degree or extent of a physiological conditions;
  - (c) contraception;
  - (d) inducing anaesthesia;
- (e) otherwise preventing or interfering with the normal operation of a physiological function whether permanently or temporarily and whether by way of terminating, reducing or postponing, or increasing or accelerating, the operation of that function or in any other way;

"nurse" or "midwife" means a nurse or midwife registered in any category of nurses or midwives under the Nurses and Midwives Act: Cap. 36:02

"package", in relation to any medicinal products, means any box, packet or other article in which one or more containers of the medicinal products are or are to be enclosed, and where any such box, packet or other article is or is to be enclosed in one or more other boxes, packets or articles in question, the collective number thereof;

"pharmacist" means a person registered as such under Part III;

"pharmacy technologist" means a person registered as such under Part III;

"pharmacy assistant" means a person registered as such under Part III;

"poison" means a substance specified in the Poisons List prescribed under section 55 (1);

"product licence" has the meaning assigned to it in section 35 (1);

"Registrar" means the Registrar of the Board appointed under section 13 and includes any person duly acting as, or on behalf of, the Registrar;

"retail pharmacy business" means a business which consists of or includes the retail sale of medicinal products but does not include a professional practice carried on by a pharmacist;

"substance" means any natural or artificial substance, whether in solid or liquid form or in the form of a gas or vapour;

"treatment" in relation to disease, includes anything done or provided for alleviating the effects of the disease, whether it is done or provided by way of cure or not;

"veterinary surgeon" means a person registered as such under the Veterinary Surgeons Act; Cap. 53:04

"wholesale dealer's licence" has the meaning assigned to it in section 35 (3);

- (2) In this Act, any reference to a sale of medicinal products or poisons by way of wholesale dealing is a reference to the sale of medicinal products or poisons to a person who buys medicinal products or poisons for the purpose of—
  - (i) selling or supplying medicinal products or poisons; or
- (ii) administering or causing to be administered any medicinal products or poisons to a human being or an animal,

in the course of business carried on by that person but it shall not include any such sale by the manufacturer of medicinal products or poisons.

(3) In this Act, any reference to a retail sale of medicinal products or poisons is a reference to the sale of medicinal products or poisons to a person who buys medicinal products or poisons otherwise than for a purpose specified in subsection (2).

#### PART II

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

[Ch3501s3]3. Establishment of a pharmacy, medicines and poisons Board

30 of 1991There is hereby established a board to be known as the Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Board (in this Act referred to as the "Board") which shall be a body corporate having perpetual succession and a common seal and shall under that name, be capable of suing and being sued and of purchasing or otherwise acquiring, holding and alienating moveable or immoveable property and, subject to the provisions of this Act, of doing orperforming all such acts and things as bodies corporate may by law perform.

### [Ch3501s4]4. Composition of the Board

- (1) Subject to subsection (3), the Board shall consist of the following eight members appointed by the Minister each of whom shall, except in case of an ex officio member, be a citizen of Malawi—
- (a) the Chief of Health Services, who shall be a member ex officio whether or not he is a citizen of Malawi;
- (b) the Chief Pharmacist, who shall be a member ex officio whether or not he is a citizen of Malawi;
  - (c) three members, representing pharmacists;
  - (d) one member, representing medical practitioners;
  - (e) one member, representing veterinary surgeons; and
  - (f) one member, representing nurses and midwives.
  - (2) A member of the Board, not being a member ex officio, shall hold office for three years.
- (3) The Minister may appoint to the Board, for a period not exceeding three years, such other persons not exceeding three in number, as he considers suitably qualified to assist the Board in its work and deliberations and such persons shall not have the right to vote at any meeting of the Board.
- (4) Upon the appointment to the Board of any member, the Minister shall cause notice of such appointment to be published in the Gazette and shall in such notice specify the current membership of the Board resulting upon such appointment.
- (5) Members of the Board shall not, by virtue only of their appointment to the Board, be deemed to be officers of the public service.

[Ch3501s5]5. Vacation, etc., of members from office

- (1) The Minister may require a member of the Board to vacate his office if the Minister is satisfied that the member—
- (a) has become insolvent or has assigned his estate for the benefit of, or made a composition or other arrangement with, his creditors; or
- (b) has been absent from three consecutive meetings of the Board, of which he has had notice, without the leave of the Chairman of the Board; or
  - (c) has been disqualified under this Act from carrying on his profession or calling; or
- (d) has been convicted of an offence under this Act or the Act repealed by this Act or any law relating to drugs; or
  - (e) has been convicted—
    - (i) within Malawi of a criminal offence; or
- (ii) outside Malawi of an offence by whatever name called which, if committed within Malawi, would have been a criminal offence, and sentenced to imprisonment for a term of six months or more without the option of a fine, whether or not such sentence has been suspended, and has not received a free pardon; or
- (f) is mentally or physically incapable of efficiently performing his duties as a member of the Board.
  - (2) The Minister may suspend from office a member of the Board against whom—
- (a) criminal proceedings have been instituted for an offence in respect of which a sentence of imprisonment for a term of six months or more without the option of a fine may be imposed; or
- (b) the Board has instituted an inquiry into his professional conduct or considers the removal of his name from the register under section 24 (1);

and while that member is so suspended he shall not carry out any duties as a member.

(3) A member of the Board may resign his office by notice in writing to the Minister and if the Minister accepts such resignation.

[Ch3501s6]6. Filling of vacancies on the Board

(1) On vacation of office by a member of the Board, the vacancy shall be filled by a person appointed in accordance with section 4 (1) under which the former member was appointed:

Provided that if the remaining period is less than six months the Minister may decide not to have the vacancy filled until the expiry of the period.

(2) If any member of the Board is granted leave of absence by the Board, the Board may, if it sees fit, co-opt a person who belongs to the same profession or calling as the member who has been granted leave to fill the vacancy during the absence of the member.

### [Ch3501s7]6. Co-opted persons

The Board may in its discretion at any time and for any length of period invite any person, and the Minister may in like manner nominate any officer in the public service, to attend any meeting of the Board and take part in the deliberations of the Board, but such person or officer shall not be entitled to vote at that meeting.

#### [Ch3501s8]8. Chairman and ViceChairman

- (1) The Minister shall, by writing under his hand, designate one member of the Board who is a pharmacist to be the Chairman thereof.
- (2) The Board shall elect a Vice-Chairman from amongst its members who are pharmacists. The Vice-Chairman shall, subject to subsection (3), hold office for the duration of his membership on the Board.
  - (3) The office of the Vice-Chairman shall become vacant—
  - (a) if the holder resigns his office by notice in writing to the Board; or
  - (b) if the holder of the office ceases to be a member of the Board; or
  - (c) if the Board so determines.
- (4) Whenever the Chairman is absent or is for any reason unable to discharge the functions of his office, the Vice-Chairman shall discharge the functions of the Chairman.

### [Ch3501s9]9. Meetings of the Board

- (1) Subject to this Act, the Board shall hold ordinary meetings for the dispatch of business at least four times in each year.
  - (2) An extraordinary meeting of the Board—
  - (a) may be convened by the Chairman at anytime;
- (b) shall be convened by the Chairman within twenty-one days of the receipt by him of a request in writing signed by not less than any three members of the Board and specifying the purpose for which the meeting is to be convened.
  - (3) At any meeting of the Board—
  - (a) the Chairman or, in his absence the Vice-Chairman, shall preside;

- (b) in the absence of both the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman the members present and forming the quorum shall elect one of their number to preside; and
  - (c) the quorum shall be formed by any five members.
- (4) At any meeting the decision of the Board on any matter shall be that of the majority of the members present and voting at that meeting, and in the event of an equality of votes, the Chairman or the person presiding shall have a casting vote in addition to his deliberative vote.
- (5) Subject to this Act, the Board may make standing orders for the regulation of its proceedings and business and may vary, suspend or revoke any such standing orders.

### [Ch3501s10]10. Functions of the Board

The Board shall be the sole registering authority of all persons required to be registered under this Act and shall have the following further functions—

- (a) to assist in the promotion and improvement of the health of the population of Malawi;
- (b) to exercise discipline and control over the professional conduct of all persons registered under this Act and practising in Malawi;
- (c) to control and exercise authority affecting the training of persons in the profession of pharmacy;
- (d) to promote liaison in the field of training in the profession of pharmacy both within Malawi and elsewhere and to promote the standards of such training in Malawi;
  - (e) to advise the Minister on any matter falling within the scope of this Act.

## [Ch3501s11]11. Powers of the Board

30 of 1991For the better performance of its functions, the Board shall, subject to this Act, have power—

- (a) to remove any name from any register or, subject to such conditions as the Board may impose, restore it thereto;
- (b) to approve of institutions in Malawi and of the curriculum for the training of pharmacists, pharmacy technologists and pharmacy assistants;
- (c) to acquire, hire or dispose of property, and borrow money on the security of the assets of the Board and accept and administer any trust or donation;
- (d) to consider any matter affecting the profession of pharmacy and make representations thereon to the Minister or take such action in connexion therewith as the Board considers necessary;
  - (e) to keep and maintain separate registers in the prescribed form—

- (i) of all pharmacists registered under this Act;
- (ii) of all pharmacy technologists registered under this Act;
- (iii) of all pharmacy assistants registered under this Act;
- (iv) of all pharmacy premises registered under this Act;
- (f) to advise the licensing authority on matters relating to medicinal products and poisons;
- (g) upon application by any person, to recognize any qualifications held by that person (whether such qualifications have been obtained in Malawi or elsewhere) as being equal, either wholly or in part, to any prescribed qualifications, whereupon such person shall, to the extent to which the qualifications have been so recognized, be deemed to hold such prescribed qualifications;
  - (h) to perform such other functions as may be assigned to the Board by the Minister; and
- (i) generally, to do and perform all such acts or things as the Board deems necessary or expedient to achieve the objects of this Act.

#### [Ch3501s12]12. Committees of the Board

- (1) In addition to the Pharmacy Committee, Medicines Committee and Poisons Committee and save as otherwise provided in relation to those three committees, the Board may establish any number of other committees to carry out any special or general functions determined by the Board and may delegate to any such committee such of the functions of the Board as the Board may consider expedient.
- (2) The Chairman of the Board shall by reason of his office be a member of every committee established under subsection (1).
- (3) The chairman of each committee shall be appointed by the Board from amongst the members of the Board.
- (4) Each committee may co-opt as members of such committee persons who are not members of the Board and any of such members so co-opted may or may not be officers in the public service.
- (5) The chairman of a committee may, at any time and place, convene a meeting of the committee of which he is chairman.
- (6) The Board may, at any time, direct the chairman of any committee to convene a meeting of such committee and such chairman shall, as soon as is practicable, comply with such direction.
- (7) Every committee shall keep minutes of its meetings and shall inform the Board of its activities and shall conduct its proceedings in such manner as the Board may direct.

(8) A member of a committee who is not an officer in the public service shall, in respect of expenses incurred by him in travelling and subsistence while discharging his duties as member of that committee, be paid out of the funds of the Board, such allowances as the Board may determine.

## [Ch3501s13]13. Appointment of Registrar and other staff

- (1) Subject to this section, the Board—
- (a) shall appoint a Registrar upon terms and conditions approved by the Minister; and
- (b) may appoint assistant registrars and such other employees as it considers necessary or desirable in the discharge of its duties and upon such terms and conditions as it may determine.
- (2) The Registrar, after consultation with the Chairman of the Board, may appoint temporary employees at such daily rates of pay, not below the minimum rates otherwise prescribed by law, as he may consider appropriate and shall, after he has appointed any such employee, report the fact thereof to the Board at its next meeting.
  - (3) The Registrar shall be the secretary to the Board and to every committee thereof.
- (4) If the Registrar is absent or unable to carry out any of his functions under this Act or any other enactment, an assistant registrar or any officer of the Board shall exercise, during the period that the Registrar is so absent or unable to act, such of the functions of the Registrar as the Chairman of the Board may designate.
- (5) Subject to any general or special directions of the Board, the Registrar shall be the chief executive officer of the Board and as such he shall be responsible to the Board for the administration and management of its affairs, including the supervision of other staff of the Board.

### [Ch3501s14]14. Funds, accounts and audit

- (1) The funds of the Board shall consist of—
- (a) such sums as may be appropriated by Parliament for the purposes of the Board;
- (b) all fees payable under this Act;
- (c) such other moneys and assets as may vest in or accrue to the Board, whether in the course of its functions or otherwise;
  - (d) the levy imposed under section 15.
- (2) The Board shall keep proper accounts and other records relating thereto in respect of its funds and shall in every respect comply with the provisions of the Finance and Audit Act. Cap. 37:01
- (3) The accounts of the Board shall be examined and audited annually by auditors appointed by the Board and approved by the Minister.

## [Ch3501s15]15. Levy

The Minister may from time to time, by order published in the Gazette, impose a levy on gross or net income accruing to any person or class of persons registered under this Act and such levy shall be appropriated for the general operations of the Board or for such operations of the Board as the Minister may specify in the order.

[Ch3501s16]16. Remuneration and expenses of members of the Board

Members of the Board shall be paid from the funds of the Board such allowances as the Minister may determine and in determining the allowance the Minister may make provision for the reimbursement of any reasonable expenses incurred by a member of the Board or of a committee in connexion with the business of the Board or the committee.

PART III

**PHARMACY** 

[Ch3501s17]17. No person to carry on pharmacy business unless registered

- (1) Except as is provided by this Act, no person other than a person registered as a pharmacist under this part shall—
  - (a) conduct a retail pharmacy business;
- (b) in the course of any trade or business prepare, mix, compound or dispense any medicinal product or poison except under the supervision of a registered pharmacist; and
- (c) assume, take, exhibit or, in any way make use of, any title, emblem, description or addition reasonably calculated to suggest that he is registered as a pharmacist.
- (2) For the purpose of paragraph (c) of subsection (1), the use of the word "pharmacist" or "chemist" or "druggist" or any similar word or combination of words shall be deemed to suggest that the owner of the business or the person having control of the business on those premises is, or purports to be, a registered pharmacist.

[Ch3501s18]18. Persons registered under the repealed Act

- (1) Every person who, immediately before the commencement of this Act, was registered in the register of pharmacists under the Act repealed by this Act and is resident in Malawi, shall be deemed to have been registered under this Act in that register.
- (2) Every person deemed by subsection (1) to be registered under this Act shall submit to the Registrar particulars of his registration in such form as may be prescribed and, subject to payment of the prescribed fee, shall be entitled to be issued with a certificate of registration under this Act.

[Ch3501s19]19. Residence of registered persons

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), an applicant for registration as a pharmacist, pharmacy technologist or pharmacy assistant shall not be registered unless at the time of his application—
  - (a) he resides in Malawi; or
- (b) he intends, if he is registered, to take up residence in Malawi within six months of the date of his registration.
- (2) Any person who resides in and is lawfully practising his profession or calling in such country as the Board may from time to time specify for the purposes of this subsection by notice in the Gazette, may be registered if, but for residing outside Malawi, he is otherwise qualified for registration.

[Ch3501s20]20. Persons eligible to be registered as pharmacists, pharmacy technologists or pharmacy assistants

- (1) Subject to this section, a person shall be eligible for registration under this Act as a pharmacist or pharmacy technologist or pharmacy assistant if he is a holder of a degree, diploma, certificate or other qualification which is recognized by the Board as making him eligible for registration and he satisfies the Board that he—
  - (a) has acquired sufficient knowledge of science and pharmacy;
  - (b) has an adequate knowledge of the English language; and
  - (c) is, in all respects as to character and otherwise, a fit and proper person to be registered.
- (2) No qualification from an examination authority outside Malawi shall be recognized or accepted under subsection (1) as a qualification for registration of the holder, unless the qualification entitles the holder to registration in the country, state or territory in which the examination authority has jurisdiction.
- (3) In any case where the Board does not recognize a degree, diploma, certificate or other qualification, relating to the profession of pharmacy held by any person, as making him eligible for registration, the Board may take steps to assess his suitability for registration and for the purpose of so doing may require him to attend an interview or to undergo any oral or written examination.
- (4) The Board may, where it considers it expedient so to do, delegate the assessment of suitability for registration under subsection (3) to a committee of the Board which shall, after making such assessment, make such recommendations to the Board as it considers appropriate.

### [Ch3501s21]21. Procedure for registration

- (1) A person desiring to be registered under this Act may make his application, in the prescribed form, to the Board and shall submit with his application—
  - (a) the prescribed fee; and

- (b) a certificate of any qualification on which he relies for registration or a certified photocopy thereof:Provided that a certificate showing his registration in the country, state or territory in which he qualified is submitted and that such a certificate contains details of the qualifications on which registration was based; and
- (c) if other practical experience or training is required in the country, state or territory in which he qualified before registration in that country, state or territory—
- (i) evidence that such experience has been acquired or that such training has been obtained; and
- (ii) the certificate of registration in that country, state or territory or a certified copy thereof;
- (d) save in case of a person referred to in section 19 (2), evidence that he resides or intends, if he is registered, to reside in Malawi.
- (2) The Board may require any statement in connexion with an application under subsection (1) to be supported by a solemn or statutory declaration.
- (3) If the Board is satisfied that the qualification and the particulars or documents submitted under subsection (1) are in accordance with the requirements of this Act, the Board shall, upon payment by the applicant of the prescribed fee, register the applicant in the appropriate register.

# [Ch3501s22]22. Certificate of registration

30 of 1991Upon registration by the Board of the applicant in—

- (a) the register of pharmacists;
- (b) the register of pharmacy technologists;
- (c) the register of pharmacy assistants.

the Board shall issue an appropriate certificate of registration in the prescribed form.

# [Ch3501s23]23. Application for retention of name on register

30 of 1991(1) Every registered pharmacist, registered pharmacy technologist and registered pharmacy assistant shall, before the 31st January in each year, make application to the Board for the retention of his name on the appropriate register.

- (2) An application made under subsection (1) shall be accompanied with the prescribed fee.
- (3) The Board may, by its resolution, strike off from the appropriate register the name and other particulars of any registered pharmacist, registered pharmacy technologist or registered pharmacy

assistant who does not make application to the Board for the retention of his name on the appropriate register as required by subsection (1).

[Ch3501s24]24. Removal of name of registered pharmacist, etc., from the register

30 of 1991(1) Subject to paragraph (3), the Board may remove from the appropriate register the name of a pharmacist or a pharmacy technologist or a pharmacy assistant who—

- (a) is convicted of an offence against this Act or any other written law which in the opinion of the Board renders him unfit to be on the appropriate register; or
- (b) is judged by the Board after due inquiry, at which such person shall have an opportunity of being heard—
- (i) to have been guilty of improper or disgraceful conduct or conduct which, when due regard is had to his profession or calling, is improper or disgraceful; or
- (ii) to be grossly incompetent or to have performed any act pertaining to his profession or calling in a grossly incompetent manner; or
  - (c) is dead.
- (2) Every pharmacist, pharmacy technologist or pharmacy assistant whose name is removed from the register under this section shall surrender the certificate of registration to the Registrar for cancellation.
- (3) The Board may, instead of removing the name of a person registered under this Act from an appropriate register, reprimand such person or suspend his registration subject to such conditions as the Board may consider necessary to impose.

[Ch3501s25]25. Notification of registration and of removal from register

The Board shall, from time to time and not less frequently than once every year, cause to be published in the Gazette a notification of all registrations effected under this Act and of all removals from any register.

[Ch3501s26]26. Appeals against refusal to register or against removal from register

- (1) A person aggrieved by—
- (a) the refusal of the Board to enter his name in an appropriate register; or
- (b) the removal by the Board of his name from an appropriate register,

may after giving written notice to the Board and within three months after the date on which notice is given to him by the Board of the fact of refusal or removal, as the case may be, appeal to the High Court in such manner as may be prescribed or as may be considered appropriate by the High Court.

- (2) On an appeal under subsection (1) the High Court may—
- (a) dismiss the appeal; or
- (b) if it is of the opinion that the Board has not acted in accordance with the Act, make an order that the name of the appellant be entered or retained in the appropriate register; or
- (c) refer the matter back to the Board for further consideration, and may make such other order as to costs of the appeal or otherwise as it may deem just:

Provided that the High Court shall not set aside any finding or penalty imposed by the Board by reason only of an informality or irregularity in the proceedings of the Board, or where the matter was referred to the Pharmacy Committee, the proceedings of that committee which did not embarrass or prejudice the appellant in answering the charge or in the conduct of his defence.

[Ch3501s27]27. Display of certificate of registration on premises where pharmacy business is carried on

No person shall carry on a retail pharmacy business unless the name and certificate of registration of the person having control of the premises in which such business is carried on are conspicuously exhibited therein.

[Ch3501s28]28. Registration of premises where pharmacy business is to be carried on

30 of 1991(1) A person carrying on manufacturing pharmacy business, a wholesale pharmacy business or a retail pharmacy business in accordance with this Act shall cause each set of premises where such business is being carried on to be registered.

- (2) An application for registration of premises under this section shall be made to the Board in the prescribed form and such application shall be accompanied with the prescribed fee.
- (3) The registration of any premises under this section shall become void upon the expiry of thirty days from the date of any change in the ownership of the business carried on therein.
- (4) The Board may, for good cause to be stated in writing, refuse to register or in like manner remove from the register any premises which in its opinion are or have become unsuitable for the purpose of carrying on manufacturing pharmacy business, a wholesale pharmacy business or a retail pharmacy business.

[Ch3501s29]29. Company may carry on a retail pharmacy business upon certain conditions

- (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing provisions of this Act, a company may carry on a retail pharmacy business if—
  - (a) it is registered by the Board under this Act;
- (b) it is shown to the satisfaction of the Board that the business is under the personal management and control of a registered pharmacist;

- (c) a copy of the certificate of incorporation of the company is lodged with the Board; and
- (d) the other provisions of this Act are complied with.
- (2) A company carrying on a retail pharmacy business in accordance with this section shall be an authorized seller of poisons within the meaning of this Act and may use the description of chemist and druggist, or of dispensing chemists or dispensing druggist and may use the description "pharmacy" in connexion with the registered premises.
- (3) Any act which if done by an individual would be an offence against this Act shall, if done by a company, be an offence committed by every director, secretary and manager thereof unless he proves that the act or omission constituting the offence took place without his knowledge or consent.

[Ch3501s30]30. Representatives of deceased or insolvent pharmacists

Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing provisions of this Part—

- (a) if a pharmacist dies, or becomes of unsound mind or is adjudged bankrupt or enters into an arrangement with his creditors, his representative may, with the permission of the Board and subject to such directions and conditions as the Board may in its discretion deem fit to impose, carry on the business, and it shall be necessary for such representative to be registered in relation to the premises where such business is carried on, and such business shall be continued only under the personal management and control of a pharmacist and for such period not exceeding five years as the Board may decide;
- (b) the representative of a pharmacist carrying on a business in accordance with paragraph (a) shall be the authorized seller of poisons within the meaning of this Act and it shall be lawful for him to use any title, emblem or description which might have been lawfully used by the pharmacist whose representative he is.

[Ch3501s31]31. Exemptions from this Part

- (1) This Part shall not apply to medicinal products supplied by—
- (a) a medical practitioner or dentist in the ordinary course of his practice;
- (b) a veterinary surgeon in the ordinary course of his practice;
- (c) any hospital which the Minister may, by order published in the Gazette, exempt;
- (d) any sale of poisons in Part II of the Poisons List by an authorized seller of poisons pursuant to section 55 (2) (b); and
  - (e) any transaction mentioned in section 35 (2) and (3).

[Ch3501s32]32. Pharmacy Committee

- 19 of 1995(1) There shall be a Pharmacy Committee (in this section referred to as the "Committee") of the Board which shall consist of a chairman and not less than two and not more than four other persons, at least two of whom shall be pharmacists, specially appointed by the Chairman of the Board for any particular business or function of the Committee.
- (2) The Committee shall perform such functions and exercise such powers as the Board may from time to time assign to the Committee.
- 21 of 1996(3) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (2) the Committee shall, where it is assigned by the Board so to do, deal with all matters relating to—
- (a) the registration and discipline of pharmacists, pharmacy technologists or pharmacy assistants;
- (b) regulate the training of pharmacists, pharmacy technologists and pharmacy assistants; and
  - (c) the control and regulation of any pharmacy business.
- (4) In any disciplinary inquiry before the Committee, the Board may request the Attorney General to nominate a legally qualified person serving in the public service to assist the Committee in the proceedings of the inquiry.
- (5) At any meeting of the Committee the Chairman and two other members shall form a quorum.
- (6) For the purposes of any disciplinary inquiry before the Committee, the Chairman of the Board may appoint to the Committee, in addition to the members by virtue of subsection (1), any other person he considers reasonably qualified to assist the Committee in the conduct of the inquiry.
- (7) All facts, matters or things authorized or required to be done by the Committee shall be decided by a majority vote at a meeting of the Committee at which a quorum is present.
- (8) At all meetings of the Committee each member present being a member by virtue of subsection (1), shall have one vote on a question before the Committee and, in the event of an equality of votes, the Chairman shall have, in addition to a deliberative vote, a casting vote.
  - (9) The Committee shall have power to regulate its own procedure.

[Ch3501s33]33. Pharmacy Committee to be the disciplinary committee of the Board

30 of 1991, 21 of 1996(1) Subject to subsection (2), the Pharmacy Committee shall perform the functions of a disciplinary committee of the Board and for that purpose it shall have power to inquire into any matter or question referred to it by the Board pursuant to sections 24 (1) and 32 (3) (a) alleging that a pharmacist, pharmacy technologist or pharmacy assistant—

- (a) has been guilty of an offence which in the view of the Board renders him unfit to be on the appropriate register; or
- (b) has been guilty of improper or disgraceful conduct or conduct which, when due regard is had to his profession or calling, is improper or disgraceful; or
- (c) is grossly incompetent or has performed any act pertaining to his profession or calling in a grossly incompetent manner.
  - (2) Before exercising its function under subsection (1), the Pharmacy Committee shall—
- (a) cause to be served upon a registered pharmacist or registered pharmacy technologist or registered pharmacy assistant a notice setting out the allegations against him; and
- (b) afford him a reasonable opportunity of being heard either by himself or, if he so wishes, by a legal representative.
  - (3) For purposes of any inquiry, the Pharmacy Committee may take evidence and may—
- (a) under the hand of the chairman or the Registrar summon witnesses and require the production of any book, record, document or thing;
  - (b) administer oath or affirmation to any person; and
- (c) examine any book, record, document or thing which a witness has been required to produce.
- (4) A summons for attendance before the Pharmacy Committee or for the production to it of any book, record, document or thing shall be—
  - (a) in the form prescribed; and
  - (b) signed by the Chairman of the Board or Registrar.
  - 21 of 1996(5) Any person who has been summoned under subsection (4) and who—
- (a) refuses or fails without sufficient cause to attend and give evidence relevant to the inquiry at the time and place specified in the summons; or
  - (b) refuses to be sworn or to affirm; or
- (c) refuses or fails without sufficient cause to produce any book, record, document or thing which he has been required by that summons to produce; or
- (d) attends as a witness before the Pharmacy Committee and refuses to answer or to answer fully and satisfactorily to the best of his knowledge and belief any question properly put to him; or

(e) gives false evidence on oath at an inquiry before the Pharmacy Committee knowing such evidence to be false or not believing it to be true,

shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of K5,000 and to imprisonment for six months.

(6) The Pharmacy Committee shall, as soon as practicable after the close of the inquiry, consider the evidence adduced and the representations made thereat, and shall, without undue delay complete and deliver to the Board its report thereon together with such documents as were produced and are relevant to the matters inquired into, and shall make its recommendations as to whether the allegation should be dismissed, or the pharmacist, or pharmacy technologist, or pharmacy assistant, as the case may be, should be reprimanded, or his registration should be suspended or cancelled.

**PART IV** 

### **MEDICINAL PRODUCTS**

[Ch3501s34]34. Licensing authority

19 of 1995The Board shall be the licensing authority responsible for the granting, renewal, variation, suspension and revocation of licences and certificates under this Part.

[Ch3501s35]35. Classes of licences

21 of 1996(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act and except in accordance with a licence granted under this section (hereinafter referred to as a "product licence"), no person shall, in the course of a business carried on by him—

- (a) sell, supply, export or import any medicinal product;
- (b) procure for sale, supply or exportation of any medicinal product; and
- (c) procure the manufacture or assembly or for the manufacture or assembly of any medicinal product for sale, supply or export.
- (2) No person shall, in the course of any business carried on by him, manufacture or assemble any medicinal product except in accordance with a licence granted for that purpose (hereinafter referred to as a "manufacturer's licence").
- (3) No person shall, in the course of any business carried on by him, sell, supply any medicinal product by way of wholesale dealing except in accordance with a licence granted for that purpose (hereinafter referred to as a "wholesale dealer's licence").
- (4) No person other than a person lawfully carrying on a retail pharmacy business shall sell or supply any medicinal product by way of dispensing except in accordance with a licence granted for that purpose (hereinafter referred to as a "dispensing licence").

21 of 1996(5) Any person who contravenes subsection (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine of not less than ten thousand Kwacha and not exceeding one hundred thousand Kwacha.

21 of 1996(6) Any person who contravenes subsection (2) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine of not less than twenty thousand Kwacha and not exceeding two hundred thousand Kwacha, and to imprisonment for five years.

21 of 1996(7) Any person who contravenes subsection (3) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine of not less than fifty thousand Kwacha and not exceeding five hundred thousand Kwacha, and to imprisonment for ten years.

21 of 1996(8) Any person who contravenes subsection (4) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine of not less than ten thousand Kwacha and not exceeding one hundred thousand Kwacha.

### [Ch3501s36]36. Exemptions

The provisions of section 35 shall not apply to—

- (a) anything done by a medical practitioner or dentist which—
- (i) relates to a medicinal product specially prepared, or specially imported by him or to his order, for administration, sale or supply to his particular patient; or
- (ii) relates to a medicinal product specially prepared by a medical practitioner or dentist at the request of another medical practitioner or dentist for administration, sale, or supply to a particular patient of that other medical practitioner or dentist; or
  - (b) anything done by a veterinary surgeon which—
- (i) relates to a medicinal product specially prepared for administration, sale, or supply for a particular animal or herd which is under his care; or
- (ii) relates to a medicinal product specially prepared by a veterinary surgeon at the request of another verteinary surgeon for administration, sale or supply to a particular animal or herd which is under the care of that other veterinary surgeon;
- (c) anything which is done in a registered pharmacy or a hospital and is there done by or under the supervision of a pharmacist and consists of preparing, dispensing, assembling or procuring a medicinal product in accordance with a prescription given by a medical practitioner or dentist;
- (d) anything which is done in a registered pharmacy by or under the supervision of a pharmacist and consists of—
- (i) preparing or dispensing a medicinal product for administration to a person where the pharmacist is requested by or on behalf of that person to do so in accordance with the

pharmacist's own judgment as to the treatment required, and that person is present in the pharmacy at the time of the request in pursuance of which that product is prepared or dispensed; or

- (ii) preparing a stock of medicinal products with a view to dispensing them as mentioned in paragraph (c) or in paragraph (d) (i); or
- (e) anything which is done in a hospital by or under the supervision of a pharmacist and consists of preparing a stock of medicinal products with a view to dispensing them as mentioned in paragraph (c); or
- (f) the assembly of any medicinal products by a person in the course of that person's profession as a nurse or midwife; or
- (g) the importation of a medicinal product by any person for administration to himself or to any persons who are members of his household, or the importation of a medicinal product where it is specially imported by or to the order of a medical practitioner or dentist for administration to his patient provided that in either case the quantity so imported shall be no greater than is reasonably necessary for that purpose and is not of commercial value; or
- (h) the importation of a medicinal product in such circumstances as may be specified by the Minister in the notice published in the Gazette.

#### [Ch3501s37]37. Application for licences

- (1) Any application for a licence under this Part shall be made to the licensing authority in the prescribed form.
- (2) Any application referred to in subsection (1) shall contain a description of medicinal products to which the licence will relate.

### [Ch3501s38]38. Matters to be considered before issuing a licence

Where an application is made for a licence under this Part, the licensing authority shall, before issuing the licence to which the application relates, consider the following—

- (a) in the case of an application for a product licence—
- (i) the safety of medicinal products of each description to which the application relates:
- (ii) the efficacy of medicinal products of each such description for the purposes for which the medicinal products are proposed to be administered; and
- (iii) the quality of medicinal products of each such description, according to the specification and the method or proposed method of manufacture of the medicinal products, and the provisions proposed for securing that the medicinal products when sold or supplied will be of that quality;

- (b) in the case of an application for a manufacturer's licence—
  - (i) the operations proposed to be carried out pursuant to the licence;
  - (ii) the premises in which those operations are to be carried out;
- (iii) the equipment which is or will be available on those premises for carrying out those operations;
- (iv) the qualifications of the person under whose supervision those operations will be carried out; and
- (v) the arrangements made or to be made for securing the safekeeping of, and the maintenance of adequate records in respect of, medicinal products manufactured or assembled in pursuance of the licence;
  - (c) in the case of an application for a wholesale dealer's licence—
- (i) the premises on which medicinal products of the description to which the application relates will be stored;
- (ii) the equipment which is or will be available for storing medicinal products on those premises;
- (iii) the equipment and facilities which are or will be available for distributing medicinal products from those premises;
- (iv) the qualifications of the persons under whose supervision those operations will be carried out; and
- (v) the arrangements made or to be made for securing the safekeeping of, and the maintenance of adequate records in respect of, medicinal products stored on or distributed from those premises.

### [Ch3501s39]39. Issue of licences

- (1) If the licensing authority is satisfied that the applicant is a fit and proper person to carry on any business set out in section 35, he may issue to the applicant the licence appropriate to such business subject to such general or special conditions as the licensing authority may consider appropriate to impose.
- (2) A licence issued under subsection (1) shall be in the form, and shall be for such duration, as may be prescribed.
- (3) Where the licensing authority, after consultation with the Board, considers that the applicant is not a fit and proper person to whom a licence should be issued for the carrying on of any business specified in section 35, he shall refuse to issue a licence and such refusal shall not be subject to appeal

to, or question in or by, any court, and the licensing authority shall not be required to assign any reasons therefor.

## [Ch3501s40]40. Suspension and revocation of a licence

- (1) Subject to this Part, the licensing authority may suspend a licence for such period as he may determine, or may revoke, or vary the provisions of such licence.
- (2) The suspension or revocation of a licence under this section may be limited to medicinal products of one or more descriptions, or to any particular premises or to a particular part of any premises.

### [Ch3501s41]41. Variation of a licence

Subject to section 37, the licensing authority may, on the application of the holder of a licence under this Part, vary the provisions of the licence in accordance with any proposals contained in the application, if the licensing authority is satisfied that the variation will not adversely affect the safety, quality or efficacy of medicinal products.

#### [Ch3501s42]42. Clinical trial

- (1) In this Part "clinical trail" means an investigation or series of investigations consisting of the administration of one or more medicinal products of a particular description by, or under the direction of, a medical practitioner or dentist to his patient where there is evidence that medicinal products of that description have effects which may be beneficial to the patient in question and the administration of the medicinal product is for the purpose of ascertaining to what extent the product has any other effects whether beneficial or harmful.
- (2) Subject to the provisions of this Part, no person shall, in the course of a business carried on by him—
  - (a) sell or supply any medicinal product for the purpose of a clinical trial; and
  - (b) procure the sale or supply of any medicinal product for the purpose of a clinical trial; or
- (c) procure the manufacture or assembly or for the manufacture or assembly of any medicinal product for sale or supply for the purpose of a clinical trial,

unless the following conditions are fulfilled by that person—

- (aa) that he is the holder of a product licence which authorizes the clinical trial in question, or he does it to the order of the holder of such a licence, and, in either case, he does it in accordance with that licence; and
- (bb) that a certificate for the purpose of this section (in this Act referred to as a "clinical trial certificate") has been issued to him certifying that, subject to the provisions of the

certificate, the licensing authority has authorized the clinical trial in question and that a certificate is for the time being in force and the trial is to be carried out in accordance with that certificate.

- (3) Subsection (2) shall not apply to—
- (a) anything which is done in a registered pharmacy or a hospital by or under the supervision of a pharmacist in accordance with a prescription given by a medical practitioner or dentist; or
- (b) anything done by or under the supervision of a pharmacist which consists of procuring the preparation or dispensing of a medicinal product in accordance with a prescription given by a medical practitioner or dentist.
- (4) Any person who contravenes the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offence. [Ch3501s43]43. Animal test
  - (1) Subject to this Part, no person shall, in the course of a business carried on by him—
  - (a) sell or supply any medicinal product for the purposes of a medicinal test on animals; or
- (b) procure the sale or supply of any medicinal product for the purposes of medicinal test on animals; or
- (c) procure the manufacture or assembly or for the manufacture or assembly of any medicinal product for sale or supply for the purposes of medicinal test on animals,

unless the following conditions are fulfilled by that person—

- (i) that he is the holder of a product licence which authorizes the test in question, or he does it to the order of the holder of such a licence, and, in either case, he does it in accordance with that licence;
- (ii) that a certificate for the purpose of this section (in this Act referred to as an "animal test certificate") has been issued to him certifying that, subject to the provisions of the certificate, the licensing authority has authorized the test in question and that a certificate is for the time being in force and the test is to be carried out in accordance with that certificate.
- (2) Any person who contravenes the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offence. [Ch3501s44]44. Clinical trial and animal test certificates
- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, every clinical trail certificate or animal test certificate, unless previously renewed or revoked, shall expire at the end of the period of one year from the date on which it was issued or from the date specified in the certificate as issued or renewed.

- (2) Any certificate, if it has not been revoked, may, on the application of the holder of the certificate be renewed by the licensing authority for a further period of one year from the date on which it would otherwise expire.
- (3) The licensing authority may suspend, for such period as he may determine, a clinical trail certificate or animal test certificate, or he may revoke or vary the provisions of, any such certificate.

#### PART V

#### PROVISIONS RELATING TO DEALINGS IN MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

[Ch3501s45]45. Restrictions on sale of medicinal products

- (1) Subject to any exemption conferred by or under this Part, no person shall sell by retail, offer or expose for sale by retail or supply any medicinal product on a pharmacy list unless—
  - (a) the person is lawfully conducting a retail pharmacy business; or
  - (b) the product is sold or supplied on premises which are a registered pharmacy; or
- (c) the person is a pharmacist, or, if the transaction is carried out on his behalf by another person, then that other person is, or acts under the supervision of a pharmacist; or
- (d) the product has been made up for sale in a container or package elsewhere than at the place at which it is sold or supplied and the container has not been opened since the product was made up for sale in it.
- (2) No person shall sell or supply any medicinal product unless such sale or supply is made from premises capable of being closed so as to exclude the public.
  - (3) Any person who contravenes the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offence.

[Ch3501s46]46. Circumstances in which restrictions on sale of medicinal product may not apply

- (1) The restrictions imposed by section 45 shall not apply to—
- (a) the sale or supply of a medicinal product—
  - (i) by a medical practitioner or dentist who holds a dispensing licence; or
- (ii) in the course of the business of a hospital where the product is sold or offered for sale or supplied for the purpose of being administered, whether in the hospital or elsewhere, in accordance with the directions of a medical practitioner or dentist;
- (b) the sale or supply of a medicinal product of a description or class specified by Order made by the Minister and published in the Gazette where such medicinal product is sold or supplied—
  - (i) by a nurse in the course of her professional practice; or

- (ii) by a midwife in the course of her professional practice; or
- (iii) by a clinical officer in the course of his professional practice and where he holds a dispensing licence; or
- (iv) by a medical assistant or dental assistant in the course of his professional practice and where he holds a dispensing licence; or
  - (v) a veterinary surgeon who holds a dispensing licence.

[Ch3501s47]47. Sale and administration of medicinal product to be subject to prescription by appropriate practitioner

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, no person shall sell by retail, or supply in circumstances corresponding to retail sale or administer, other than to himself, a medicinal product of a description or a class specified by Order made by the Minister and published in the Gazette except in accordance with a prescription given by an appropriate practitioner.
  - (2) Subsection (1) shall not apply if—
- (a) the sale or supply or administration of a medicinal product to a patient is by a medical practitioner or dentist who holds a dispensing licence; or
- (b) the sale or supply of a medicinal product is for administration to an animal or herd by a veterinary surgeon who holds a dispensing licence.
- (3) In this Part "appropriate practitioner" means a medical practitioner, dentist, veterinary surgeon and any person as the Minister may specify in the Order made under subsection (1).
  - (4) Any person who contravenes the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offence.

[Ch3501s48]48. Restrictions on wholesale dealings

The Minister may by Order published in the Gazette provide for restrictions on the sale or supply of medicinal products by way of wholesale dealing.

[Ch3501s49]49. Prohibition of adding to or abstraction of any substance from medicinal products

30 of 1991(1) No person shall—

- (a) add any substance to, or abstract any substance from, a medicinal product so as to affect adversely the composition of the product with intention of selling the product in that changed state; or
- (b) sell or supply, or offer or expose for sale or supply, or have in his possession for the purpose of sale or supply, any medicinal product whose composition has been adversely affected by the addition thereto or abstraction therefrom of a y substance; or

- (c) sell or supply any medicinal product which is not of the nature or quality demanded by the purchaser.
- (2) Subsection 1 (c) shall not be taken to have been contravened by reason only that a medicinal product contains some extraneous matter if it is proved that the presence of that matter was an inevitable consequence of the process of manufacture of the product.
- (3) Where a medicinal product is sold or supplied pursuant to a prescription given by an appropriate practitioner, subsections (1) and (2) shall have effect as if—
- (a) any reference to the "purchaser" included a reference to the person for whom the medicinal product was prescribed by an appropriate practitioner; and
- (b) for the words "demanded by the purchaser" there were substituted the words "specified in the prescription".
- (4) Any person who contravenes the provision of this section and regulations made under section 66 shall be guilty of an offence.

**PART VI** 

#### CONTAINERS, PACKAGE, AND IDENTIFICATION OF MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

[Ch3501s50]50. Medicinal product to be in labelled containers or packages

- (1) No person shall, in the course of a business carried on by him, sell or supply or have in his possession for the purpose of selling or supplying any medicinal product in a container or package which is not labelled in accordance with regulations made under section 66.
- (2) Without prejudice to subsection (1), no person shall, in the course of a business carried on by him, sell or supply, a medicinal product of any description in a container or package which is labelled or marked in such a way that the container or package—
  - (a) falsely describes the product; or
- (b) is likely to be misleading as to the nature, efficacy or quality of the product or as to the uses or effects of medicinal products of that description.
  - (3) Any person who contravenes this section shall be guilty of an offence.

### [Ch3501s51]51. Leaflets

(1) No person shall, in the course of a business carried on by him, supply or have in his possession for the purpose of supplying together with medicinal products, a leaflet relating to such medicinal products which does not comply with regulations made under section 66.

- (2) Without prejudice to subsection (1), no person shall, in the course of a business carried on by him, supply together with a medicinal product or have in his possession for the purpose of so supplying a leaflet which—
  - (a) falsely describes a medicinal product to which it relates; or
  - (b) is likely to be misleading as to the nature, efficacy or quality of such medicinal product.
  - (3) Any person who contravenes this section shall be guilty of an offence.

#### PART VII

#### PROMOTION OF SALES OF MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

[Ch3501s52]52. Regulations for advertising of medicinal products

The Minister may make regulations which may prohibit any issue of advertisements—

- (a) relating to medicinal products of a description or a class specified in the regulations;
- (b) likely to lead to the use of any medicinal product, or any other substance or article, for the purpose of treating or preventing a disease so specified or of ascertaining the existence, degree or extent of a physiological condition so specified or of permanently or temporarily preventing or otherwise interfering with the normal operation of a physiological function so specified or for the purpose of artificially inducing a condition of body or mind so specified;
- (c) likely to lead to the use of medicinal products of a particular description or class specified in the regulations or the use of any other substance or article of a description or class so specified for any such purpose as is mentioned in paragraph (b); and
- (d) relating to medicinal products and containing a word or phrase specified in the regulations, as being a word or phrase which, in the opinion of the Minister, is likely to mislead the public as to the nature or effects of the products or as to any condition of body or mind in connexion with which the medicinal product might be used.

### [Ch3501s53]53. Meaning of advertisement

- (1) In this Part "advertisement" includes every form of advertising, whether in a publication, or by the display of any notice or by means of any catalogue, price list, letter, whether circular or addressed to a particular person, or by the exhibition of a photograph or a cinematograph film, or by way of sound recording, sound broadcasting or television.
- (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in subsection (1), "advertisement" does not include spoken words except—
- (a) words forming part of a sound recording or embodied in a sound-track associated with a cinematograph film;

- (b) words broadcast by way of sound broadcasting or television or transmitted to subscribers to a diffusion service; and
  - (c) anything spoken in public.
- (3) Save as regulations made under section 52 may otherwise provide, for the purposes of this Part, the following shall not constitute an advertisement—
- (a) the sale or supply, or offer or exposure for sale or supply, of a medicinal product in a labelled container or package; and
- (b) the supply, together with a medicinal product, of a leaflet relating solely to the use of the medicinal products supplied.

### [Ch3501s54]54. Medicines Committee

19 of 1995(1) There shall be a Medicines Committee of the Board (in this section referred to as the "Committee") which shall consist of a chairman and not less than two and not more than four other persons appointed by the Board.

- (2) The Committee shall perform such functions and exercise such powers as the Board may from time to time assign to the Committee.
  - (3) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (2), the Committee shall—
  - (a) advise the Board on all matters covered in Parts IV to VII; and
  - (b) advise the Board on the safety, quality or efficacy of medicinal products.
  - (4) Section 12 shall apply to the Committee to the extent possible.

PART VIII

**POISONS** 

## [Ch3501s55]55. Preparation of poisons list

- (1) The Minister shall, after consultation with the Board, prescribe a list of non-medicinal poisons (hereinafter referred to as the "Poisons List").
  - (2) The Poisons List shall be divided into two parts, as follows—
- (a) Part I shall consist of those substances which, subject to the provisions of this Act, are prohibited from being sold except by a person who is lawfully conducting a retail pharmacy business; and
- (b) Part II shall consist of those substances which, subject to the provisions of this Act, are prohibited from being sold except by a person who is an authorized seller of Part II poisons.

[Ch3501s56]56. Prohibition of, and conditions with respect to, sale of poisons

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, no person shall—
- (a) sell or supply any poison which is a substance included in Part I of the Poisons List, unless—
  - (i) he is a person lawfully conducting a retail pharmacy business;
  - (ii) the sale or supply is effected on premises which are a registered pharmacy; and
  - (iii) the sale or supply is effected by, or under the supervision of, a pharmacist;
- (b) sell or supply any poison which is a substance included in Part II of the Poisons List, unless—
- (i) he is a person lawfully conducting a retail pharmacy business and the sale or supply is effected on premises which are a registered pharmacy; or
  - (ii) he is a person who is an authorized seller of Part II poisons;
- (c) sell or supply any poison, whether it is a substance included in Part I or in Part II of the Poisons List, unless the container of the poison is labelled in the prescribed manner—
  - (i) with the name of the poisons;
- (ii) in the case of a preparation which contains a poison as one of its ingredients, with the prescribed particulars as to the proportion which the poison contained in the preparation bears to the total ingredients;
- (iii) with the word "poison" or other prescribed indication of the character of the article; and
- (iv) with the name of the seller of the poison and the address of the premises on which it is sold.
  - (2) Subject to the provisions of this Act—
- (a) no person shall sell or supply any poison which is a substance included in Part I of the Poisons List to any person unless that person is either—
- (i) certified in writing in the prescribed manner by a person authorized in that behalf by the Minister; or
- (ii) known by the seller or by a pharmacist in the employment of the seller at the premises where the sale is effected to be a person to whom the poison may properly be sold;
  - (b) the seller of any poison shall not deliver it until—

- (i) he has made or caused to be made an entry in a book to be kept for that purpose stating the date of the sale, the name and address of the purchaser and of the person by whom the certificate required under paragraph (a) was given, the name and quantity of the article sold, and the purposes for which it is stated by the purchaser to be required; and
  - (ii) the purchaser has signed for the entry.
- (3) Subject to the provisions of this Act, a poison shall not be exposed for sale in, or be offered for sale by means of, an automatic machine.
  - (4) Any person who contravenes this section shall be guilty of an offence.

### [Ch3501s57]57. Poisons Committee

- (1) There shall be a Poisons Committee of the Board (in this section referred to as the "Committee") which shall consist of a chairman and not less than two and not more than four other persons appointed by the Board.
- (2) The Committee shall perform such functions and exercise such powers as the Board may from time to time assign to the Committee.
- (3) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (2), the Committee shall, where it is assigned by the Board so to do—
  - (a) advise the Board on all matters covered under this Part; and
  - (b) assist the Board in the preparation of the Poisons List.
  - (4) Section 12 shall apply to the Committee to the extent possible.

### **PART IX**

### PROVISIONS FOR NON-MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

[Ch3501s58]58. Provisions relating to substances which are not medicinal products

- (1) The Minister may by regulations specify any descriptions or classes of articles or substances which—  $\,$
- (a) are manufactured, sold, supplied, imported or exported in a manner similar to medicinal products; or
  - (b) are used as ingredients in the manufacture of a medicinal product; or
- (c) if used without proper safeguards, are likely to be a risk to public health or to be dangerous or injurious to animals, and he may provide that, subject to such exceptions and modifications as may be specified, the provisions of this Act including those relating to offences and

penalties shall have effect to such descriptions or classes of articles or substances as those provisions apply to medicinal products.

PART X

**INSPECTION** 

[Ch3501s59]59. Inspectors

21 of 1996(1) The Board shall, for the purposes of enforcing the provisions of this Act, appoint such number of inspectors as it considers appropriate and shall issue to them, in writing or in such form as may be prescribed, certificates of authority to act as such inspectors.

21 of 1996(2) A person shall not be qualified for appointment as an inspector unless he is a pharmacist or pharmacy technologist.

21 of 1996(3) A person appointed by the Board as an inspector under this section shall hold office subject to such conditions as the Board may determine, and the Board shall, in the case of an inspector who is a pharmacy technologist, determine the premises which may be inspected by such inspector.

## [Ch3501s60]60. Entry into premises

21 of 1996(1) Subject to the provisions of this section and section 59 (3), an inspector may, at any reasonable time and on production of his certificate of authority, enter any premises—

- (a) for the purpose of ascertaining whether there is or has been, on or in connexion with those premises, any contravention of this Act; and
  - (b) generally for the purposes of discharging his functions under this Act.
  - (2) An inspector may, at any reasonable time and on production of his certificate of authority—
- (a) enter any ship, aircraft or any vehicle for the purpose of ascertaining whether there is in the ship, aircraft or vehicle any substance or article imported in contravention of this Act; or
- (b) enter any ship, aircraft or any vehicle for any purpose for which the inspector is authorized to enter any premises under subsection (1).

### [Ch3501s61]61. Mode of inspection

- (1) For the purpose of ascertaining whether there is or has been a contravention of this Act an inspector may inspect—
  - (a) any substance or article appearing to him to be a medicinal product or a poison;

- (b) any article appearing to him to be a container or package used or intended to be used to contain any medicinal product or poison or to be a label or leaflet used or intended to be used in connexion with a medicinal product or poison; or
- (c) any plant or equipment appearing to him to be used or intended to be used in connexion with the manufacture or assembly of medicinal products or poisons and the means employed, at any stage of the processes of manufacture or assembly, for testing the materials after they have been subjected to those processes.
  - (2) Where an inspector requires a sample of any substance or article appearing to him to be—
  - (a) a medicinal product or poison sold or supplied or intended to be sold or supplied; or
- (b) a substance or article used or intended to be used as an ingredient in the manufacture of a medicinal product or poison,

he shall, if he does not obtain the sample by purchase, obtain the sample of that substance or article from the person by whom the medicinal product or poison is sold and supplied or intended to be sold, supplied or manufactured.

- (3) For the purposes of this section, an inspector may—
- (a) require any person carrying on a business which consists of, or includes, the manufacture, assembly, sale or supply of medicinal products or poisons, and any person employed in connexion with such a business, to produce any books or documents relating to the business which are in his possession or under his control; and
- (b) take copies of, or of any entry in, any book or document produced in pursuance of paragraph (a).
- (4) An inspector may seize and detain any substance or article which he has reasonable cause to believe to be a substance or article in relation to which, or by means of which, an offence under this Act is being or has been committed, and any document which he has reasonable cause to believe to be a document which may be required as evidence in proceeding under this Act.
- (5) In exercising the powers under this section, an inspector may, in order to secure that the provisions of this Act are observed, require any person who owns the substance or article or has authority over the substance or article which is contained in a container or package or a vending machine, to break open any container or package or open any vending machine or to permit the inspector do so.
- (6) Where an inspector seizes any substance or article, including any document pursuant to subsection (4), he shall inform of that fact the person from whom it is seized and, in the case of anything seized from a vending machine, the person whose name and address are stated on the machine as being

those of the owner of the machine or, if no name and address are so stated, the occupier of the premises on which the machine stands or to which it is affixed.

- (7) An inspector entering any premises, ship, aircraft or vehicle, pursuant to section 60 may take with him such other persons and such equipment as may appear to him to be necessary, and on leaving any such premises, ship, aircraft or vehicle, he shall, if the premises are unoccupied or the occupier, or in the case of a ship, aircraft, vehicle, the master, commander or other person in charge of it is temporarily absent, leave it as effectively secured against trespass as he found it.
  - (8) Any person who—
  - (a) wilfully obstructs an inspector in the discharge of his duties; or
  - (b) wilfully fails to comply with any requirement properly made to him by an inspector; or
- (c) without reasonable cause fails to give to the inspector any assistance or information which the inspector may reasonably require of him for the purpose of the performance of his duties under this Act,

shall be guilty of an offence.

- (9) If any person, in giving any such information as is mentioned in subsection (8) (c), makes any statement which he knows to be false or which he does not believe to be true, he shall be guilty of an offence.
- (10) Nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring a person to answer any question or give any information if to do so might incriminate that person or, where that person is married, the husband or wife of that person.

[Ch3501s61A]61A. Closure of premises and seizure of equipment, etc.

21 of 1996(1) Where the Board believes, on reasonable grounds, that this Act or any regulations made thereunder have been contravened, the Board may, subject to subsection (2), order—

- (a) the closure of any premises; and
- (b) the seizure of any equipment, instrument or any other thing,

by means of, or in relation to which, the Board reasonably believes the contravention was committed.

(2) The closure of any premises shall cease, and any equipment or any other thing seized shall not be detained, after the provisions of this Act or any regulations made thereunder have, in the opinion of the Board, been complied with, unless before that time disciplinary or court proceedings, as the case may be, have been instituted in respect of the contravention, in which event the premises shall remain closed and the equipment, instrument or other thing may be detained until the proceedings are finally concluded.

(3) Where a person has been found guilty of an offence or disciplinary misconduct under this Act or any regulations made thereunder, any equipment, instrument or other thing by means of or in relation to which the offence or misconduct was committed may, in addition to any other penalty imposed by the court or the Board, be forfeited to such person, and may be disposed of in such manner and at such time and place, as the court or the Board, as the case may be, may direct; but no equipment, instrument or other thing shall be disposed of pending an appeal against the decision of the court or the Board or before the time within which the appeal may be taken has expired.

## [Ch3501s62]62. Non-disclosure of information

- (1) If any person discloses to any other person—
- (a) any information with respect to any manufacturing process or trade secret obtained by him in premises which he has entered pursuant to this Act;
  - (b) any information obtained by or furnished to him pursuant to this Act,

he shall, unless the disclosure was made in the performance of his duty and to an authorized person therefor, be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding K200 and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months.

[Ch3501s63]63. Inspectors not to be personally liable for acts done by them under the Act

An inspector shall not be personally liable in respect of any act done by him in the course of his employment and in the execution or purported execution of any duty under this Act.

## [Ch3501s64]64. Offences by a corporate body

Where under this Act, an offence committed by a body corporate is proved to have been committed with the consent and connivance of, or to be attributable to any neglect on the part of, any director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body corporate or any person who was supposed to act in any capacity, such officer and the body corporate shall severally and jointly be guilty of an offence.

# [Ch3501s65]65. Penalty

- (1) Any person who is guilty of an offence under this Act for which a specific penalty has not been provided shall be liable to a fine not exceeding K50,000 and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years.
- 21 of 1996(2) Upon conviction of any person for an offence under this Act, the court may, in addition to any other penalty imposed, declare any substance or article seized and detained by an inspector and found to have been used in, or in connexion with, the commission of that offence to be forfeited, and may order it to be destroyed, without compensation.

**PART XI** 

#### **REGULATIONS AND SAVINGS**

## [Ch3501s66]66. Regulations

The Minister may, with the advice of the Board, make regulations for carrying out or giving effect to the provisions of this Act and, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, such regulations may—

- (a) specify descriptions or classes of medicinal products or poisons or of any articles or substances required to be specified under this Act;
- (b) control, regulate or prohibit the sale or supply, export or the importation, of medicinal products or poisons or any articles or substances of any specified description or class;
- (c) provide for the manner in which containers and packages or medicinal products or poisons may be labelled;
- (d) provide for the manner in which leaflets relating to the advertisement of medicinal products or poisons may be made;
  - (e) prescribe such requirements as may be necessary with respect to—
- (i) the manner in which, or persons under whose supervision, medicinal products or poisons may be prepared or may be dispensed;
- (ii) the amount of space to be provided in any premises for persons preparing or dispensing medicinal products, the separation of any such space from the remainder of the premises, and the facilities to be provided in any premises for such persons;
- (iii) the accommodation to be provided in any premises for the sale or supply of medicinal products or poisons;
- (iv) the accommodation to be provided in any premises for members of the public to whom medicinal products or poisons are sold or supplied or for whom medicinal products or poisons are being prepared or assembled;
- (v) the amount of space to be provided in any premises for members of the public and storage of medicinal products or poisons;
  - (vi) the safekeeping of medicinal products or poisons;
- (vii) the disposal of medicinal products or poisons which have become unusable or otherwise unwanted;
- (viii) precautions to be observed before medicinal products or poisons are sold or supplied;

- (ix) the keeping of records relating to the sale or supply of medicinal products or poisons;
  - (x) the supply of medicinal products or poisons distributed as samples;
- (xi) sanitation, cleanliness, temperature, humidity or other factors relating to the construction, location and use of automatic machines for the sale of medicinal products;
  - (f) prescribe forms of any register required to be kept by the Board under this Act;
- (g) prescribe forms of any applications, notices, licences, certificates and any other documents required to be prescribed under this Act;
  - (h) prescribe forms of any book or record to be kept for the purposes of this Act;
- (i) prescribe the fees payable upon registration or renewal of registration and upon application for a licence or certificate or renewal of licence or certificate; and
  - (j) prescribe anything to be prescribed under this Act.

[Ch3501s67]67. Repeal and savings

- (1) The Pharmacy and Poisons Act is hereby repealed. Cap. 35:01
- (2) Any subsidiary legislation made under the Pharmacy and Poisons Act in force immediately before the commencement of this Act—
- (a) shall remain in force unless in conflict with this Act and be deemed to be a subsidiary legislation made under this Act; and
  - (b) may be replaced, amended or repealed by subsidiary legislation made under this Act.

SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION

PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS

under s. 66

G.N. 65/1991

14/1995

82/1995

7/1997

87/1998

49/2000

#### 1. Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons (Fees and Forms) Regulations.

#### 2. Fees

The Fees specified in the First Schedule shall be payable in respect of the matters correspondingly specified herein.

#### 3. Forms

The forms set out in the Second Schedule shall be used for the purposes of the Act, and such particulars as are contained in these forms and not particularly prescribed by the Act are hereby prescribed as particulars required under the Act.

FIRST SCHEDULE reg. 2

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**FEES** 

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**SECOND SCHEDULE** 

FORM No. 1

**FORMS** 

PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT

(CAP. 35:01)

PHARMARCY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS A PHARMACIST, PHARMACY TECHNOLOGIST OR PHARMACY ASSISTANTDelete whatever is not applicable\*

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Commissioner of Oaths 11. FOR OFFICE USE ONLY— (a) Date of approval of application (b) Registration No.						
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Registrar						
Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Board						
FORM No. 2						
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT						
( CAP. 35:01)						
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS						
REGISTER OF PHARMACIST, PHARMACY TECHNOLOGIST OR PHARMACY ASSISTANT(Delete whatever is not applicable)*						
(Sections 21 (3) and 66 (f))						
QualificationsName of Registered personDate of RegistrationRegistration NumberExpiry DateAddressNationalityDate of BirthUpon registrationSubsequent to registrationUniversity, College, School or other institutionDate of cancellation of registration, if anyRemarks, if any						
FORM No. 3						
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT						
( CAP. 35:01)						
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS						

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HARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT
CAP. 35:01)
HARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS
PPLICATION FOR RETENTION OF NAME OF REGISTERED PHARMACIST, REGISTERED PHARMACY ECHNOLOGIST, OR REGISTERED PHARMACY ASSISTANT(*Delete whatever is not applicable)* ON PPROPRIATE REGISTER
Sections 23 (1) and 66 (g))
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CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF A PHARMACIST, PHARMACY TECHNOLOGIST OR PHARMACY

ASSISTANT(\*Delete whatever is not applicable)\*

Technologist or registered Pharmacy Assistant) 10. I, the above-mentioned applicant, hereby apply for retention of my name on the aforementioned register and submit therefor— (a) [NOTE:
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Registrar Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Board
FORM No. 5
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT
( CAP. 35.01)
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS
APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF PREMISES WHERE A RETAIL PHARMACY BUSINESS IS TO BE CARRIED ON
(Section 28)
To:The Registrar Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Board P.O. Box 30377 Lilongwe 3
1. Name of applicant
business it to be carried (Town, Street, Plot No.)

4. Where the applicant is a company— (a) state registration number of company under
the Act (b) state name and Certificate No. of registered pharmacist under whose
personal management and control the affairs of the company would be subject to
(c) attach a copy of the certificate of incorporation of the
company 5. Name and number of certificate of registration of a
registered pharmacist having control of the premises referred to in paragraph 3
6. I, the above-mentioned applicant, submit herewith application fee of K
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[*NOTE 1. Fees must be payable only by cheque or postal order made in favour of the Pharmacy,
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REGISTRATION No.

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ChairmanCommon Seal of the Board
FORM No. 7
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT
(CAP. 35:01)
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS
REGISTER OF PREMISES WHERE A RETAIL PHARMACY BUSINESS IS TO BE CARRIED ON
(Sections 28 and 66 (f))
Location of Registered PremisesDate of RegistrationRegistrationName, Registration and Certificate No. of Registered Pharmacist in Control of BusinessRemarks, if anyTownStreetPlot No.
FORM No. 8
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT
(CAP. 35:01)
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS
APPLICATION FOR A PRODUCT LICENCE
(Sections 35 (1) and 37 (1))

To:The Secretary for Health Ministry of Health P.O. Box 30377 Lilongwe 3 Malawi

NOTES—1. Application for a product licence in respect of established medicinal products may be exempted from submission of information normally required for certain parts of the application at the discretion of the licensing authority. Exemption claims may be submitted along with the application with reasons for the request. Application for a product licence in respect of new medicinal products, however, will normally have to comply in full with the requirements of all relevant parts of the application form.

- 2. Before completing each part of the form, please read any notes on the application form.
- 3. Samples and printed matter should be sent by post or other means, postage prepaid by the applicant.
- 4.—(a) Written evidence of application fee of K ..... and product licence fee of K ..... as having been paid to the Board should be submitted together with this application, to the Secretary for Health. The application fee and product licence fee shall be paid to the Board in the form of postal order or cheque.
- (b) The application fee shall not be refundable whereas the product licence fee shall be refundable where the applicant is not accepted.

#### SUMMARY OF APPLICATION FORM FOR PRODUCT LICENCE

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PART 11.1	Particulars of Applicant (2)	Name		
Busine	ss address			
		Postal		address
		Telephone number .		Telex
number	Telefax number	1.2	Description	of
medicinal prod	uct to which the product licence relate	es		
		Approved	name	(3)
	Proprietary n			Dosage
•	entation (5)	_		(6)
	Country of origin (7).		Princip	oal's
	ess			
	acturer's name and address			•••••
	edicinal product (*delete as appropriat			
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	ave given above is true in every respec	•	_	
	Act and any Regulations or Rules made ence, I shall be bound thereby for so lo			
				•••••
Signature of Ap	oplicant Declared at	by		
(State name of	applicant) before me	this		
day of	, 19Signature			
(Commissioner	of Oaths)			
PART 1—NOTE	S			
(1) For	office use only.			
(2) App	olication for product licence shall be ma	ade—		
(a)	in case of an individual, by a registere	ed pharmacist who is hir	nself the applicant	

(3)(a) This shall be the international non-proprietary name or approved genetic name in the country of origin.

(b)

and control the business of the company is carried on.

in case of a company, by a registered pharmacist under whose \_ personal management

- (b) If an approved name has not yet been allocated to the medicinal product by an appropriate international or national body, the name which has been or will be submitted for approval shall be stated here.
- (4) This is the trade name which is unique to the particular medicinal product and by which it is generally identified for commercial purposes.(5)
- (a) The dosage form namely, capsule, eye-drops, injection vial, ointment, solution, suppository, tablet and the presentation, including a brief description of the physical characteristics of the medicinal product and the strength of its active ingredient(s) shall be stated here. Examples:
- (i) dispersible greenish-yellow round scored tablets containing
  - (ii) injection, powder for reconstitution as a solution/suspension, 2 g vial
- (b) Each different dosage form or presentation of a medicinal product will be construed as requiring a separate product licence.

However applications for product licence in respect of medicinal products which vary only in strength may be made on the same form.

(6) The pharmacological classfication or therapeutic group into which the medicinal product falls should be stated.

Examples—stimulant lexativenon-steroidal anti-inflammatoryanti-epileptictopical antifungalanti-tuberculosis drug, etc.

(7) This is the country of original development of the medicinal product.

PART 2: PHARMACEUTICAL DATA (FORMULATION)

Name of applicant: Name of medicinal product—(a) Approved: (b) Proprietary:

Dosage Form:

Listed below are details of the active and inactive ingredients contained in the medicinal product.

Approved name (1)Chemical name (2)Quantity (3)Active or inactive (4)Reasons for inclusion if inactive

PART 2—NOTES

- (1) This will be the international non-proprietary name or a national generic name. If no such approved name exists, the name which has been submitted for approval should be stated.
- (2) This shall, wherever possible, be given in terms of the published list of an appropriate international body. If none exists, the chemical nature of the ingredient should be described.
- (3) This should be stated in terms of a dosage unit or, where none exists, in terms of a suitable unit of mass or volume of the medicinal product.
- (4) Inactive ingredients include all ingredients other than the active ingredient(s), including pharmaceutical additives, necessary for formulation purposes.

PART 3: CHEMICAL DATA (ACTIVE AND INACTIVE INGREDIENTS)

Name of Applicant: Name of Medicinal product—(a) Approved: (b) Proprietary:

Dosage Form:

3.1 Chemical details of the active and inactive ingredients are as follows:

Approved nameChemical name and structural formulaSpecifications (1)Physical Characteristics (2)

3.2 Outline synthesis procedures for each active ingredient with side-product limits is as follows:

Active ingredientOutline synthesisSide-product limits

## PART 3—NOTES

- (1) Where applicable, reference to internationally recognized publications e.g. BP, BPC, Eur.P, IP, USP, etc., will be acceptable.
  - (2) These should include where relevant—
  - (a) Melting point
  - (b) Boiling point
  - (c) Optical rotation
  - (d) Water solubility (according to BP terminology)
  - (e) Crystal form
  - (f) Particle size

together with any other physical properties which characterize the ingredient.

PART 4: MANUFACTURING DATA

Name of Applicant: Name of Medicinal product—(a) Approved: (b) Proprietary:

Dosage Form:

4.1 Summary of Manufacturing Procedure (1)–(3).4.2 Analytical, microbiological or other in-process control procedures (2).

PART 4—NOTES

- (1) This should cover the various stages of manufacturing and packaging and should include types of equipment and process durations.
- (2) The frequency with which and sequence in which in-process controls are carried out should also be indicated here.
- (3) The name and address of each pharmaceutical manufacturing facility which carries out any of the above procedures should be indicated, together with particulars of the procedures.

PART 5: RAW MATERIALS DATA

Name of Applicant: Name of Medicinal product—(a) Approved: (b) Proprietary:

Dosage Form:

5.1—Specifications Summarized below are the specifications of all active and inactive raw materials used in the manufacturing process of the medicinal product. The names of the tests, limits and criteria of acceptance of each parameter in the specifications are given (1)–(4).

PART 5.1—NOTES

(1) Where the stated specification tests correspond to a recognized pharmacopoeia, this should be stated.

(2) Specifications should be as in the latest editions of such pharmacopoeia and any departure from these should be fully substantiated.

(3) Approved or chemical names only should be used.

(4) Those raw materials not present in the final product should be indicated.

5.2—Control Procedures

Following is a description of the analytical and other control procedures performed on each of the raw materials, in order to confirm the specifications stated in Part 5.1 (1)–(3). This should include microbiological procedures where applicable.

PART 5.2—NOTES

(1) Reference only to standard texts will not be sufficient and full details should therefore be given.

(2) Release criteria should be stated for each raw material.

(3) The name of the laboratory carrying out each control procedure should be given.

PART 6: FINAL PRODUCT DATA

Name of Applicant: Name of Medicinal Product—(a) Approved: (b) Proprietary:

Dosage Form:

6.1 Specifications Summarized below are the specifications of the final product in terms of the name of the specification and the limits and criteria of acceptance of the physical, chemical and microbiological parameters where applicable.

## PART 6.1—NOTES

- (1) Analytical procedures should not be given here but in the next section, part 6.2.
- (2) Control Procedures

Following is a description of analytical and other control procedures performed on the final product in order to confirm the specifications stated in Part 6.1. This should include microbiological procedures where relevant (1)–(4).

## PART 6.2—NOTES

- (1) Reference only to standard texts will not be sufficient and full details should therefore be given.
- (2) Where an analytical procedure has been fully described in another part of the application reference to the relevant page may be made.
  - (3) Lot release requirements for the final product should be stated.
  - (4) The name of the laboratory carrying out each control procedure should be given.

## 6.3 Product Information (1)

- (a) Name of medicinal product (2) and dosage form
- (b) Content of active ingredient(s) (3)
- (c) Summary of pharmacological effects
- (d) Indications (4)
- (e) Contra-indications
- (f) Dose information (5)
- (g) Cautions (6)
- (h) Side-effects (7)
- (i) Interactions and incompatibilities with other medicinal products and other substances (8)
  - (j) Treatment of overdosage (9)

- (k) Presentation and pack size(s) of the medicinal product (10)
- (I) Other dosage forms of the same medicinal product available (11)
- (m) Storage requirements of the medicinal product (11)
- (n) Scheduling status (12)
- (o) Proposed retail price per unit pack.

#### PART 6.3—NOTES

- (1) All the information given here (with the exeption of (1)), should appear on the data sheet package insert together with other details as specified in Part 9.
- (2) The international non-proprietary name or nationality approved generic name should be given together with the proprietary name, where this exists.
- (3) This should be expressed as the amount per unit dose or per suitable unit mass or volume. The name and quantity of any added preservative should be given. Inactive ingredients may be specified as "excipients" except where they have special significance, e.g. sugar in preparations likely to be used by diabetics.
  - (4) These will be the indications for which a product licence is being sought.
- (5)(a) Dose information should be given in the form of average doses or dose ranges and normal, maximum single and total daily doses for adults, children and infants.
- (b) This should be accompanied by information on routes of administration, dose frequencies and normal duration of treatment with the medicinal product. Where relevant, the above information should be given for each therapeutic indication of the medicinal product.
- (c) Doses for children and infants should be expressed as mg/kg, mg/m2 or for specified age ranges.
  - (6) Cautions should include—
- (a) Specific information on conditions or patients where the medicinal product should be used with particular care, e.g. in pregnancy, in renal or hepatic impairment, in elderly or young patients, during lactation, etc.
- (b) Other specific warnings on use of the medicine, i.e. if liable to cause drug dependence, the statement "may be habit forming"; if a prescription only medicinal product, the statement "consult your physician before use of this medicine" or similar warnings.
- (c) Warnings of potential drug interactions and incompatibilities (to be detailed in section (i)).

(7) (a) Details of all major and minor side-effects should be given together with an indication of

the likely frequency of occurrence, e.g. common, occasional, rarely with all patients, etc.

(b) Also whether such side-effects are related to high or low doses and short or prolonged

courses of treatment with the medicine should be stated, together with information on the reversibility

or otherwise of the side-effect(s).

(8) All potential interactions and incompatibilities with other medicinal products should be given

together with any involving alcohol, tobacco, foodstuffs, etc., where relevant.

(9) Information on both general measures for treatment of overdose and use of specific

antidotes should be given where available.

(10) Presentation should be described in terms of the macroscopic characteristics of the product

together with details of any distinguishing features, e.g. colour, flavour, scoring, distinguishing marks,

etc.

(11) Refers to other products made by the company manufacturing the medicinal products for

which application for registration is being submitted.

(12) i.e.CD =controlled drug POM=prescription medicinal product OMP=other medicinal product GSL

=general sales list medicinal product, etc.

PART 7: CONTAINER AND PACKAGING DATA

Name of Applicant: Name of Medicinal product—(a) Approved: (b) Proprietary:

Dosage Form:

7.1 Primary Container7.1.1 Specifications The following are the detailed specifications of the type,

nature, size and grade of the primary container, i.e. that which is in direct contact with the medicinal

product. Details of the type and method of closure together with those of any internal wadding or

packing materials should also be stated. (1)

PART 7.1.1—NOTES

The physical characteristics of the material(s) of construction of the container and (a)

closure should be given.

(b) In the case of plastics, names and percentages of any supplementary substances should

be indicated.

- (c) With metals, information on any interior lacquer coating substance should be given.
- (d) For all materials, possible interactions with the medicinal product should be described.
- (e) Where specifications for a container material do not exist, this should be stated.
- 7.1.2 Control Procedures Following are the analytical and any other control procedures carried out on the primary container by or on behalf of the applicant, in order to confirm the requirements of the specification detailed in Part 7.1.1.

#### PART 7.1.2—NOTES

- (1) Reference only to standard reference texts will not be sufficient and full details should therefore be provided.
- (2) The laboratories in which the control procedures are carried out should be stated, and where a laboratory other than that of the applicant or manufacturer is used, the applicant should confirm that the relevant tests are being carried out.
  - (3) Release criteria for the primary container and the closure should be stated.

## 7.2 External Packaging(s)

A brief description of any outer packaging(s) together with specifications, where relevant, is given below.

PART 8: STABILITY DATA (1) (6)

Name of Applicant: Name of Medicinal product—(a) Approved: (b) Proprietary:

· ·	8.1 Following is a descrip		•			` '
norma	I degradation patterns (w	here known)	resulting from	hydrolysis,	photolysis, ox	idation and
other processe	es:	(b)	identity o	f known	degradation	products
	; and	(c)	storage cor	nditions cu	rrently used t	o maintain
the quality of e	each					
		•				
		. 8.2 F	following is a	description	of analytical	procedures
used to detern	nine the stability of the mo	edicinal prod	uct as package	d with the i	reasons for as	suming that
these	methods	can	indicate		stability.	(2)
(3)					8.3	Following
are tabulated	experimental results of th	e above stab	ility tests carrie	ed out on tl	he final produ	ct, togethe

with the inte	erpretation of i	the results a	and an expi	anation of	tne basis	on which the	e sneit-iit	e is deduc	ea.
(4)			8	.4 The shel	f-life clair	ned for the f	inal pack	aged prod	uct
under	specifie	ed	storage		condit	ions	is		as
follows									
8.5	The methods	employed	and resul	ts obtaine	d for de	etermination	of the	presence	of
degradation	products	after a	period of	storage	under	specified	conditio	ns are	as
follows									
8.6 I	Physical charac	teristics of t	the final pro	duct durin	g storage	under speci	fied norm	nal condition	ons
and	evidence	į	indicating		deteriora	tion	are		as
follows									
8.7	Following is a	programm	e of stabilit	ty testing v	which is	used to moi	nitor and	confirm	the
deduced								shelf-l	life.
(5)									

## PART 8-NOTES

- (1)(a) No application for a product licence in respect of any medicinal product shall be submitted without inclusion of stability data indicating a shelf-life of twenty-four months for the final packaged medicinal product.
- (b) This requirement will not apply to medicinal products with inherently unstable ingredients.
- (2) As temperatures up to 40 degrees centigrade may be reached during storage in Malawi, testing should simulate these condition.
- (3) Stability tests should include monitoring of the continued preserving ability of any antimicrobial preservative in the product.
  - (4) Tabulated results of stability tests should include—
  - (a) stability results obtained in respect of all specification tests listed in Part 6.2.;
- (b) full details of environmental conditions e.g. temperature, humidity, light, duration of storage, used in shelf-life studies.
  - (c) batch numbers and dates of manufacture of the samples' examined; and
  - (d) confirmation that the packaging used is the same as described in Part 7.1.
- (5) The programme shall include details of frequency of testing, proposed environmental conditions, acceptance criteria and parameters to be tested.
- (6)(a) Informing on the batch number code must be given to the licensing authority so that it will be possible to judge the age of the product.

(b) Alternatively the date of manufacture should be declared on the label of the primary container and on any other packaging.

## PART 9: LABELLING AND PACKAGE INSERT DATA

Name of Applicant: Name of Medicinal product—(a) Approved: (b) Proprietary:

Dosage Form: 9.1 Package Insert The following information shall appear on the package insert/data sheet of the product, six specimens of which should be submitted— (a) scheduling generic name; (c) status; (b) proprietary name; dosage form; (e) (d) composition; (f) pharmacological/therapeutic classification; (g) summary of pharmacological action; (h) indications; (i) contra-indications; (j) dosages and interactions and incompatibilities; directions for use; side-effects; (I) (m) (k) symptoms and treatment of overdose; (n) cautions/warnings; (o) storage presentation/identification; name and address of manufacturer; instructions; (p) (q) product licence number and date of issue; and (s) date of publication. (r)

## PART 9.1—NOTES

As for Part 6.1 where applicable

## 9.2 Product label.

The following information should be included on the label of the primary container which is in direct contact with the medicine, six specimens of which should be submitted—

- (a) scheduling status;
- (b) generic and proprietary names;
- (c) dosage form;
- (d) composition;
- (e) doses and routes of administration/directions for use;
- (f) any necessary warnings e.g. "keep away from children" "read package insert carefully before use";
  - (g) date of manufacture;
  - (h) batch number;
  - (i) date of expiry; and
  - (j) name and address of manufacturer.

## PART 9.2—NOTES

As for Part 6.3 where applicable

9.3 Outer Package Label The following information should be included on the label of any outer package of the product, six specimens of which should be submitted—

- (a) scheduling status;
- (b) generic and proprietary names;
- (c) dosage form;
- (d) composition;
- (e) doses and routes of administration/directions for use;
- (f) any necessary warnings;
- (g) manufacturing date;
- (h) batch number;
- (i) expiry date;
- (j) date and number of product licence;
- (k) for introductory samples, the statement "SAMPLE";
- (I) name and address of manufacturer; and
- (m) indications (in the case of over-the-counter products).

PART 9.3—NOTES

As for Part 6.3 where applicable

PART 10: FOREIGN REGISTRATION DATA

Name of Applicant: Name of Medicinal product—(a) Approved: (b) Proprietary:

Dosage Form:

10.1 Product licence/registration number in country of origin (1).10.2 Summary of other countries of registration with product licence/registration numbers, name and presentation of the medicinal product

and prescription status (2) in these countries. (Copies of the registration certificates and product licences should be submitted.)

CountryLicence/ RegistrationName of Medicinal ProductPresentationPrescription

10.3—Countries in which registration of the medicinal product has not been accepted with reasons for non-acceptance are as follows—

## PART 10-NOTES

- (1) If registration has not been authorized details as to progress made with the registration application should be given.
- (2) i.e. PO (prescription only), P (pharmacy only), GSL (general sales list), CD (controlled drug) or other as specified.

PART 11: DISTRIBUTION AND PROMOTION DATA

Name of Applicant:Name of Medicinal product—(a) Approved:(b) Proprietary:

Dosage Form:

- 11.1 How it is proposed to distribute the medicinal product (1)
- (a) under controlled drug (narcotics) regulations (b) on prescription only (c) recorded purchase through pharmacies only (d) on sale through pharmacies only
- (e) for general sale (f) for veterinary use only11.2 How will the medicinal product be advertised/ promoted? (1) (a) to the medical/pharmacy professions only (b) to the general public by point-of-sale displays in pharmacies (c) to the general public

PART 11—NOTES

(1) Please tick the appropriate boxes

PART 12: PHARMACEUTICAL AND BIOLOGICAL AVAILABILITY DATA

Name of Applicant: Name of Medicinal product—(a) Approved: (b) Proprietary:

Dosage Form:

Following are experimental details and results of tests performed on the medicinal product to confirm its pharmaceutical and biological availability (bioavailability). 12.1 Pharmaceutical Availability (1) 12.2 Biological Availability (2)

PART 12—NOTES

- (1) These are IN VITRO tests (commonly dissolution rate studies) designed to illustrate the rate of release of active ingredient(s) from the dosage form.
- (2) These are IN VIVO tests designed to show the characteristics of release of the active ingredient(s) from the dosage form into body fluid (usually blood plasma).
- (3) Confirmation must be given that such tests were carried out on the medicine formulation for which registration is being sought. If the product formulation with which clinical trials were conducted is not identical to that of this application, any differences must be clearly indicated.
- (4) The applicant should state whether any correlation exists between the in vitro and in vivo data obtained using the methods described above.
- (5) Full details of any standard reference substances used in the tests should be given, e.g. supplier, composition, batch number.

PART 13: TOXICOLOGICAL DATA

Name of Applicant:Name of Medicinal product—(a) Approved:(b) Proprietary:

Dosage Form:

Following are details of methods used in, results obtained and conclusion drawn from tests performed on the medicinal product to demonstrate all aspects of its toxicity and to prove the safety of its use. These should include (1–6) (11)—

13.1 Pre-clinical studies with special reference to—

- (a) single dose studies to investigate acute toxicity and determine the average lethal dose
- (7). (b) multiple dose studies to investigate sub-acute and chronic toxicity (8); (c)
- teratogenicity studies and other reproduction studies (9); (d) mutagenicity studies (10); (e) carcinogenicity studies (10); and (f) other studies to substantiate the safety of the medicinal product, including studies investigating drug-dependence potential and histopathological investigations.

PART 13.1—NOTES

- (1) Where well known active ingredients are concerned, the licensing authority may grant exemption from the submission of some of the above information.
- (2) The route of administration used in the tests should generally be the same as that intended for clinical use.
- (3) Control groups should always be included in the tests. These controls would usually be given a place but otherwise treated and observed like the test groups.
- (4) Data provided should be concise, relevant and provide adequate proof that the requirements of this part have been met.
  - (5) The following information must be supplied—
  - (a) animal strain;
  - (b) method of administration and dosage;
  - (c) solvents or suspending agents used;
  - (d) numbers, sexes, ages and weights of animals used; and
  - (e) numbers and composition of control groups.
- (6) Results of investigations and observations carried out should be reported both individually for each animal and collectively for each group. The arithmetic means for each test and control group should be specified.
- (7)(a) Data on acute toxicity, stated as LD50 with cofidence limits and preferably LD95 also, should be expressed as units of weight or volume per kg of body weight.
- (b) This data should generally be available for at least two animal species and in respect of different adimistration methods.
  - (c) Observation periods and survival times of the animals tested should be stated.
- (d) Data on acute toxicity in newborn animals should be provided for medicines to be used in the prenatal period.
- (8) Reference here is to toxicity following different forms of repeated administration of the medicine. Such tests should be conducted with at least two animal species, one of which should normally be a non-rodent.
  - (9) These should include—
  - (a) embryotoxicity (death of foetus or reduced foetal weight);

(b) peri- and post-natal actions (effects arising just prior to, during and after parturition; and (c) fertility studies. (10) These tests are generally required if any ingredient of the medicine or metabolite are allied to known carcinogenic and/or mutagenic substances, and also in general if the medicine is intended to be used over prolonged periods. (11) Where certain tests have not been performed, the reasons for this should be stated which the medicinal product is intended to be used and with regard to the dosage and method of administration of the medicinal product-..... ..... 14.2 Clinical studies, with special reference to comparative or controlled clinical tests, double blind tests, etc.— ..... ...... PART 14.2—NOTES (1) Proof of all information relating to efficacy as contained in the package insert should be substantiated here. (2) By whom, when and where the studies were carried out should be stated. PART 15: PHARMACOLOGICAL DATA Name of Applicant: Name of Medicinal product—(a) Approved:(b) Proprietary: Dosage Form:

The pharmacological properties of the medicinal product are summarized below in terms of its

15.1 Pharmacodynamic data (1).

pharmacodynamic and pharmacokinetic characteristics.

# 15.1.1 Pre-clinical data on primary pharmacodynamic effects: A summary of studies in animals of the pharmacological effects forming the basis for therapeutic use of the medicinal product, with particular reference to quantitative aspects is given below-15.1.2 Pre-clinical data on other pharmacodynamic effects: Studies of other pharmacological effects of the medicinal product in animals, which though not relevant to its therapeutic use are relevant to assessment of its clinical use and risks, are summarized below-(b) Interactions of the medicinal product with other compounds where relevant to the proposed therapeutic use should be indicated. 15.1.3 Clinical data on primary pharmacological effects (2): A summary of studies in humans of the pharmacological effects forming the basis for the therapeutic use of the medicinal product, with particular reference to quantitative aspects is given below-.....

15.1.4 Clinical data on other pharmacodynamic effects (3):

(a) Studies of such effects in humans, which though not relevant to the therapeutic use of the medicine are relevant to assessment of its clinical use and risks, are summarized below—


Any interactions of the medicinal product with other compounds where relevant to its (b) proposed therapeutic use should also be stated.

#### PART 15.1—NOTES

(1) In the case of new drugs which are similar to others in the same pharmacological category, clinical trials should if possible be planned so that comparison with an established drug in the category can be made.

- (2) Dose-response curves and dose duration should be given.
- (3) Any effect of the medicinal products on the CNS, including respiratory system, cardiovascular system, blood, hepatic and renal function, details of development of tolerance to the medicinal products should be described, in relation to doses intended for clinical use.

## 15.2 Pre-clinical Pharmacokinetic Data (1).

	The	pattern	and	time	course	of	absorption	(2),	distribution	(3),	biotransform	nation	(4)	and
elimina	tion (	5) of act	ive co	onstitu	uents of	the	medicinal p	rodu	act and impo	rtant	metabolites,	in at l	east	one
animal	speci	es are de	escrib	ed be	low:									

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15.2.1 Clinical Pharmacokinetic Data.

As in 15.2 above but in human volunteers

#### PART 15.2—NOTES

- (1) To facilitate assessment of information obtained in these investigations, certain relevant chemical and physical chars of the active ingredients should be stated in this part including pka values, partition coefficients at various pHs.
- (2)(a) Absorption should be documented preferably on a quantitative basis and with the intended route of administration, Particulars should be given for those concentrations in the blood, plasma or serum at which pharmacological and toxicological effects are obtained.
  - (b) Any physico-chemical properties influencing absorption should be stated.
- (3)(a) Primary distribution should be outlined by specifying concentrations in the various tissues. It is important to indicate individual organs having particulary high concentrations of the drug(s) or metabolites or risks of retention of these. Protein binding characteristics should be detailed.
- (b) Penetration characteristics of the drug across the blood-brain and placental barriers should be described, preferably quantitatively.
- (c) It should also be established whether the drug(s) is secreted in breast milk and what concentrations may be reached.
  - (d) Any physico-chemical properties affecting distribution should be stated.
- (4) Studies of metabolism of the drug(s) in several species of animal and in humans should be described together with investigation into biologically active metabolites and including at test for

chemical toxicity.(5) The main routes of excretion of the drug(s) and its main metabolites should be stated. Data on the rate of elimination (half-life) from the blood, plasma or serum, should be stated including if possible the most important factors affecting elimination rate, including biotransformation, renal excretion and urinary pH.

# 15.3 Adverse Reaction Data (1).

Incidence and nature of adverse reactions to the medicine in therapeutic doses, together with descriptions of individual cases with particularly toxic or hypersensitivity reactions are stated below—

## 15.4 Overdosage

	Toxic	effects	of	overdosa	ige wit	h re	commended	l treatmen	t of s	uch	intoxication	are	detailed
below	_												
			•••••			•••••	•••••						
			•••••			•••••	•••••						

## PART 15.3—NOTES

- (1) If available, information regarding the origin and biochemical mechanisms of adverse effects should be given, together with advice on how the effects may be minimized.
- (2) All indications of development of tolerance, dependence or habitation to the medicinal product should be stated, including the appearance of withdrawal symptoms.

#### 15.5 Interaction Data

All interactions with other drugs and in particular those likely to be used concurrently should be stated together with the likely effects of such an interaction.

## 15.5.1 Animal Studies

Interaction data observed in animal studies is summarized below (with references). Mechanisms of interaction aetiology should be explained.

# 15.5.2 Clinical Investigations

Interactions of the medicinal product observed in humans with other drugs, foods or other agents including alcohol, tobacco, together with a description of the effects of such interactions, are as follows (with references): ......

15.6 Biological Assay Data
Details of assay methods for the drug within body fluids including blood, urine, saliva are as indicated below. Experimental details of tests performed and results obtained to establish correlation between physiological levels of the drug and pharmacological action are as indicated.
PART 16: VETERINARY MEDICINE CLINICAL STUDIES DATA
Name of Applicant:
Name of Medicinal product—
(a) Approved:
(b) Proprietary:
Dosage Form:
16.1 Toxicological Data
Tests performed on different animal species regarding safety of the medicinal product are as follows—
16.1.1 Acute Toxicity
Studies are described below and the maximum tolerated doses and minimum lethal doses indicated:
Clinical tests performed regarding the efficacy of the
16.1.2 Chronic Toxicity
Field use studies involving sufficiently large groups of animals of both sexes and different ages
are described below and results and conclusions are summarized:

PART 16.1—NOTES
(1) All supporting data should be concise, relevant and sufficient to provide proof that the requirements of this part have been fulfilled.
(2) Proof of all information relating to toxicity and efficacy as contained in the package insert should be provided.
(3) For each species, the doses administered, route of administration used and side-effects observed, clinical tests performed regarding the efficacy of the medicinal products are described below and the results and conclusions of these are summarized:
PART 16.2—NOTES
(1) By whom, when and where the tests were conducted should be stated.
(2) Special reference should be made to comparative and controlled clinical trials.
16.3 Pharmacological Data
(a) Tests performed to establish correlation between physiological levels of the medicinal products and claimed pharmacological action are as described below:
(b) Experimental details and results are specified and conclusions summarized:

16.4 Data on Residues

(a)	Tests conducted to determine the presence of residues of active ingredients of the						
medicinal p	roduct of their metabolities in the eggs, milk and tissues of food animals are described						
below:							
(b)	Experimental details and results are specified and conclusions summarized (1)						
DADT 16.4	NOTES						
PART 16.4—	NOTES						
(1) 7	The recommended withdrawal period for the medicinal product should be stated.						
PART 17: AD	DITIONAL DOCUMENT REQUIREMENTS						
Name of app	plicant:						
Name of Me	edicinal product—						
(a)	Approved:						
(b)	Proprietary:						
(0)	Froprietary.						
Dosage Forn	n:						
Listed belov	v are the additional documents required to be submitted along with the application for						
product lice	nce. Numbers of copies are indicated and reference is made to the relevant part of the						
application 1	form where applicable—						
(1)	medical literature references regarding therapeutic use of the medicinal product, published						
	ist 10 years—one copy of each;						
(2) p	<ul><li>(2) package insert (Part 9.1)—6 copies;</li><li>(3) product label (Part 2)—6 copies;</li><li>(4) outer package label (Part 9.3)—6 copies;</li></ul>						
(3) μ							
(4)							
/E\ -	all proposed advertising and promotional meterials (Part 11)—6 copies of each;						
(5) 6	in proposed advertising and promotional meterials (rait 11)—0 copies of each,						

- (6) product information summary (Part 6.3)—6 copies;
- (7) product formula (Part 2)—6 copies;
- (8) all manufacturing records and batch data relating to a particular batch, preferably that of the sample submitted, including—
  - (a) raw material analytical reports;
  - (b) manufacturing and packaging master sheets;
  - (c) in process control records;
  - (d) final product analytical reports;
  - (e) authorization for release;
  - (f) any other appropriate records, one copy of each;
- (9) five sealed samples of the smallest commercial pack, to enable analytical tests to be performed.

FORM No. 8A

PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT

(CAP. 35:01)

PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS

APPLICATION FOR A PRODUCT LICENCE (SUMMARY SHEET)

(sections 35 (1) and 37 (1))

A. Product Identification1. PMPB Ref. No.(for office use only) 2. Proprietary name 3. Non-proprietary name (INN)4. Dosage form5. Strength6. Route of administration7. Suggested Price USB. Applicant details1. Name of Applicant2. Address of Applicant3. City/town 4. Country5. Tel. No.6. Fax. No.7. Telex8. E-mail addressC. Manufacturer details1. Name of manufacturer2. Address3. City/town4. Country9. Manufacturing licence No.10. Licence date5. Tel. No.6. Fax No.11. Name and address of licensing authority7. Telex8. E-mail address12. Date of last GMP inspectionD. Product details1. Therapeutic category2. Main indication(s)3. Dosage details and method of use4. Stability data (on first 3 batches)5. Shelf-life6. Storage conditions7. Complete quantitative formula (per dose form)(a) Substance(b) Function(c) Amount (d) QC specifications(i)(ii)(iii)(iv)(v)(vi)(vii)(viii)8. Total weight or volume of dose form

- E. Active ingredient details
- 9. Active ingredients

- (a) Active ingredient(b) Source(c) Standard e.g. USP, BP(d) In-process controls (Optional)(i)(ii)(iii)(iv)
  - F. Manufacturing and Quality Control Information
  - 10. (a) Method of manufacture of dosage form
  - 10 (b) In process control measures
- 11. QC specifications of the final product12. Validated analytical method for final product13. Batch No.14. Date of manufacture15. Expiry date16. Results of batch testing

(attach additional information if necessary)

- G. Equivalence data (Optional)Comparative bioavailability, pharmacodynamic or clinical studies and comparative in vitro dissolution testsH. Container information(a) Size (number of dose units)(b) Description of container and closure(i)(ii)(iii)
  - I. Distribution and Promotion Information
  - 1. What is the intended scheduling status of the product? (tick appropriate box)
- (a) CD Controlled(b) POM Prescription only medicine(c) PIM Pharmacist initiated medicine(d) I' Pharmacy only medicine(e) GSL General sales list medicine(f) Veterinary use only
- 2.How is it proposed to promote the medicinal product? (tick appropriate box)(a)to the medical and pharmacy professions only(b)to the general public b point-of-sale displays in pharmacies(c)to the general public(d)other (please specify)
- J. Current Regulatory Status of Product (Please attach relevant documents)
- (a) Country(b) Product Licence No.(c) Date of First Registration(i) Country of manufacture(ii)(iii)(iv)(v)
  - K. Date and Signature
- (a) Date of application(b) Signature of registered pharmacist (c) Applicant official seal
  - L. Registration Information (for office use only)

		App. Fee No.(c) Registration Fee(d) Reg. Fee Receipt No.(e) Reg. Date(f) Reg. ation No.(h) Full name and signature
Registrar		
Pharmacy, Me	edicines	and
Poisons Board	I	
FORM No. 9		
PHARMACY, N	/IEDICIN	ES AND POISONS ACT
(Cap. 35:01)		
G.N. 7/1997		
PHARMACY, N	/IEDICIN	ES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS
PRODUCT LICI	ENCE	
(section 39)		
Produ Medicines and		ce No issued at under section 39 of the Pharmacy, s Act
to		
(name of pers	on or fir	m to whom licence is issued)
of		
(state city, str	eet, plot	number and postal address)
(1) of, and su	bject to	licensed to engage in any or all of the business activities outlined under section 35, the Act in regard to the following medicinal product(s) in accordance with the cified hereunder—
(a)	Medic	inal product identity—
	(i)	name
	(ii)	generic form
	(iii)	dosage form
	(iv)	strength
	(v)	manufacturing

		(vi)	manufacturing country				
	(b)	Year and therapeutic category of the medicinal product					
	(c)	Scheduling status					
	(d)	Declara	ition of content—				
		(i)	active ingredient				
		(ii)	content per unit dose				
	(e)	Package	e—				
		(i)	type of package				
		(ii)	size of package				
		(iii)	initial retail price per package				
	Further	conditio	ons of this Product Licence are—				
	Valid ur	ntil					
	Date						
			(Official Stamp)				
Registra	ar						
Chairm	an						
FORM I	No. 10						
PHARM	ACY, ME	DICINES	S AND POISONS ACT				
(CAP. 3	5:01)						
PHARM	ACY, ME	DICINES	S AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS				
REGIST	ER OF PR	RODUCT	LICENCES				
(section	n 66)						
	t licence No.Date i		tion of Medical Products to which licence relatesName and address of licence				

FORM No. 11
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT
(CAP. 35:01)
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS
APPLICATION FOR A MANUFACTURER'S LICENCE
(sections 35 (2) and 37 (1))
To: The Secretary for Health
P.O. Box 30377
Lilongwe 3
Malawi
1. Name of applicant
2. Address
3. List of products to be manufactured (name, form, dosage and strength) (submit formula for each product):
4. Location of business premises:
(state city, street and plot number)
5. Manufacturing equipment to be used—
Name /typeCapacity
, cype-cupucity

6. Name and registration number of supervising pharmacist:

7. Qualifications and experience of supervising pharmacist:
8. Other key officers:
NameQualificationExperienceProduction Officer(s)Quality Control
Officer(s)Maintenance
Officer(s)
9. Arrangements made or to be made for securing safekeeping of, and the maintenance of
adequate records in respect of medicinal products stored on or distributed from premises specified
under paragraph 4
10. Brief description of manufacturing process (may be attached separately)
11. Proposed source(s) of raw materials.
12. I submit herewith written evidence that application fee of K and manufacturer's
fee of K have been paid to the Board.
Date
Signature of Applicant

13. FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

	(a)	Date of inspection					
	(b)	Date of approval					
	(c)	Licence No.					
	(d)	Receipt No. of application fees					
	(e)	Remarks					
	Date						
Registra	ar Pharm	nacy, Medicines and Poisons Board					
	[NOTE:	1. Fees shall be payable to the Board in the form of postal order or cheque.					
be refu	ndable v	2. Application fee shall not be refundable whereas manufacturer's licence fee shall where the application is not accepted.]					
FORM N	No. 12						
PHARM	ACY, ME	EDICINES AND POISONS ACT G.N. 7/1997					
(CAP. 3	5:01)						
PHARM	ACY, ME	EDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS					
MANUF	ACTURE	R'S LICENCE					
(section	n 39)						
Pharma		cturer's Licence No issued at under section 39 of icines and Poisons Act to					
(name d	of perso	n or firm to whom licence is issued)					
of							
(state c	ity, stree	et, plot number and postal address)					
	•	icensed to manufacture, subject to the Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Act and to the ns set out hereunder, the following medicinal products—					
	Special	conditions of this Licence are—					

Valid until 20
Date
(Official Stamp)
Registrar
Chairman
FORM No. 13
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT
(CAP. 35:01)
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS
APPLICATION FOR A WHOLESALE DEALER'S LICENCE
(sections 35 (3) and 37 (1))
To: The Secretary for Health
P.O. Box 30377
Lilongwe 3
Malawi
1. Name of applicant:
2. Postal address:
3. Residential address:
(state city, street, plot number)
4. Medicinal products to which this application relates:

5. Lo	cation of p	remises c	on which medic	inal products sp	pecified un	der paragı	raph 4 will be st	tored:
 (state city, st								
premises refe	erred to ur	nder parag				the medic	inal products a	at the
7. Sp products	ecify equi	pment an the	d facilities whice premises	ch are or will b	e available	for distri under	buting the med paragraph	dicinal 5:
8. Sp supervision	pecify qua the	lifications wholes	sale deale	registration n r's busines		•	macist under v carried	whose out:
9. Sp maintenance referred tour	pecify the of adequander parag	arrangemate record		to be made f	ored on or	-	ekeeping of an ed from the pre	
10. I	submit he	rewith wr . have bee	en paid to the B	that applicatio	on fee of K	an	id wholesale de	:aler's
Signature of A								

FOR OFFICI	E USE ONLY
(a) Da	te of inspection
(b) Re	marks
	Application fees K Receipt No (ii) Licence fees K eceipt No
(d) Da	te of approval Licence No
Date	
Secretary for Healt	h
[NOTE:1.	Fees shall be payable to the Board in the form of postal order or cheque.
2. refundable where a	Application fee shall not be refundable, whereas registration fee shall be application for licence has not been accepted.]
FORM No. 14	
PHARMACY, MEDIC	CINES AND POISONS ACT G.N. 7/1997
(CAP. 35:01)	
PHARMACY, MEDIC	CINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS
WHOLESALE DEALE	R'S LICENCE
(section 39)	
	Dealer's Licence No issued at under section 39 of dicines and Poisons Act to
(name of person or	firm to whom the licence is issued)
of	
(state city, street, p	olot number and postal address)
	eby licensed to carry on business as a wholesaler of medicinal products, subject to the es and Poisons Act and to the special conditions set out hereunder.
Special Cor	nditions of this Licence are—

Valid until, 20
Date
(Official Stamp)
Registrar
Chairman
FORM No. 15
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT G.N. 7/1997
(CAP. 35:01)
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS
DISPENSING LICENCE
(section 39)
Dispensing Licence No issued at under section 39 of the Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Act to
(name of person or firm to whom licence is issued)
of
(state city, street, plot number and postal address)
who is hereby licensed to dispense medicinal products, subject to the Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Act, and to the special conditions set out hereunder.
Special conditions of this licence are—
Valid until, 20
Date
(Official Stamp)

Registrar						
Chairman						
FORM No.	. 16					
PHARMAC	CY, MEDICINES AND POIS	ONS ACT				
(CAP. 35:0	01)					
PHARMAC	CY, MEDICINES AND POIS	ONS (FEES	AND FORMS) REG	GULATION	S	
APPLICATI	ON FOR A DISPENSING L	ICENCE				
(sections 3	35 (4) and 37 (1))					
To	o: The Secretary for Hea	lth				
Р.	O. Box 30377					
Lil	longwe 3					
М	alawi					
1.	Name of Applicant:					
2.	Address:					
3.	Location of business pre	emises:				
(state city,	, street, and plot numbe	r)				
4.	Name and registration i	number of	supervising Pharm	acist		
5.	Qualifications	and	experience	of	supervising	pharmacist
•••						
6.	Medicinal products to v	hich this a	pplication relates			

	7. I submit herewith written evidence that application fee of K and dispensing licence fee of K have been paid to the Board.				
Date					
Signature of a					
8. FO	R OFFICE USE ONLY—				
(a)	Date of inspection				
(b)	Remarks				
(c)	Receipt of application fees				
(d)	Date of approval				
(e)	Licence No.				
Date					
Secretary for	Health				
[Note	e: 1. Fees shall be payable to the Board in the form of postal order or cheque.				
refundable w	2. Application fee shall not be refundable whereas dispensing licence fees shall be here the application is not accepted.]				
FORM NO. 17	,				
PHARMACY,	MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT G.N. 87/1998				
(CAP. 35:01)					
PHARMACY,	MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS				
MEDICINES IN	NSPECTORATE				
C.G.M.P. Insp	ection Report				
(section 60)					

#### **MANUFACTURING**

1. Name of Manufacturer:	Date:
Owner:	Individual/Partnership/Company
Address:	
Tel. No	Fax No
Name of Production Pharmac	ist/Manager
Registration Number	

CompliesDefaultNot Applicable2.PREMISES:2.1Constructed and maintained to protect against weather, ground seepage, pests, vermins, etc.2.2Sited to avoid external contamination2.3Surrounding environment pleasant2.4Good state of repair of walls, floors and ceiling (no cracks, etc.)2.5Premises clean and tidy2.6Walls and floor cleanable3.SERVICES PROVIDED:3.1Adequate lighting3.2Temperature controller/Air conditioner3.3Acceptable ventilation and humidity3.4Filtered air in sterile suites3.5Water (hot and cold)3.6Distilled water supply3.7Disposal of supply waste, receptacles provided4.SECURITY:4.1Restricted entry into drug production and storage areas to authorized personnel only4.2Burglar bars provided4.3Adequate locking system4.4Security watchmen deployed4.5Burglar alarm installed5.SAFETY:5.1Fire fighting equipment, e.g. hose pipes, fire extinguishers5.2Fire exits clearly marked5.3Fire alarm/smoke detectors6.LAYOUT OF WAREHOUSE:Adequate space to allow logical flow of materials and activities and to allow easy communication and supervision of operations in each of the following sections—6.1Receipts and quarantine section (raw materials store)6.2Weighing section (raw materials)6.3Production suites6.4In houses QC laboratory6.5Packing and labelling sections6.6Quarantine areas (finished products)6.7Rejected products area6.8Warehouse for finished products6.9Dispatch section (finished products)6.10Recalled products area6.11Retained samples area6.12Materials and finished products stored to minimize mix-up errors or cross contamination6.13All storage areas clearly labelled6.14Animal houses completely separated from production areas6.15Changing or cloakrooms suitably located and separated from production areas6.16Toilet facilities adequate and provided with running water, hand wash basin and other facilities6.17Toilets not opening directly to manufacturing areas6.18Air lock system on entering into the main production areas6.19Microbiological contamination monitoring and validation7.EQUIPMENT:7.1General layout of equipment including segregation and spacing 7.2 State of repair and functioning of each equipment7.3Maintenance schedule and/ or service contracts7.4Written SOPs and other operating instructions available 7.5 Calibration methods and validation SOPs available 7.6 Cleaning SOPs to avoid cross contamination and their validation7.7Suitability of equipment in relation to the production activities8.HUMAN RESOURCES:8.1Production Manager: a fulltime supervisor of production activities who is a registered pharmacist8.2Name and registration number given8.3Relevant experience related to manufacturing noted and satisfactory8.40ther supporting staff in production

qualified(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)8.5Written job descriptions and areas of responsibilities for all support staff available and well defined8.6Formal preliminary and continuous educational program given to staff8.7Quality assurance manager available8.8QA manager separate manager8.9Relevant qualifications and experience noted and satisfactory8.10Other supporting staff in QC suitably trained(1)(2)(3)(4)8.11Written job descriptions and areas of responsibility available and well defined for all QC support staff8.12Personal Hygiene:8.12.1Instructions to personnel on hygiene8.12.2Adequate facilities for washing8.12.3Adequate toilet facilities8.12.4Adequate changing room 8.13 Health:8.13.1Pre-employment medical check-up policy in place8.13.2Periodic medical checkup during employment and records kept8.13.3Provision of protective clothing, headgear, marks boots, gloves, ear plugs, etc.9.DOCUMENTATION: Are documents available in the following areas and are they adequate?9.1Starting materials testing and specifications9.2Packaging materials testing and specifications9.3Intermediate and bulk material specifications9.4Finished products specifications9.5Sampling and approved documentation9.6Master formula and production methods9.7Inventory records for starting materials9.8Inventory records for packing materials including printed labels9.9Production: Yield reconciliation9.10Batch manufacturing records9.11Intermediate and bulk release records9.12Complaints, recalls and returned goods records and SOPs9.13Documented analytical methods for raw materials9.14Documented analytical methods for finished products 9.15 Product stability data and its conformity to labelling and packing instructions of final product10.MANUFACTURING PROCESS10.1Compliance with written specifications for raw materials including the following main areas—10.1.1Physical description of material10.1.2Safety precautions on handling10.1.3Approved supplier(s) of material10.1.4Storage conditions of material10.1.5Details of tests for identity, limits of purity, physical and chemical properties and microbiological standards (where applicable)10.1.6Method of assay of material10.1.7Re-examination and retesting program10.2Weighing and measuring records for all raw materials for the production process10.3Labelling and batch numbering10.4Batch manufacturing methods specify the following—10.4.1Specific equipment used and the cleaning, assembly, calibration, sterilization, etc.10.4.2Detailed stepwise processing instructions including the following—10.4.2.1Sequence of adding materials10.4.2.2Mixing and other processing times10.4.2.3Working temperature10.4.2.4Authorization and checking on each process10.4.2.5Format for presentation of data acceptable 11. IN-PROCESS ACTIVITY AND PACKING 11.1 Facilities and personnel for in-process activities adequate11.2Sampling testing, recording and checking processes adequate11.3Contamination and product mix-up minimized11.4Storage and security of labels and their release procedure adequate11.5Reconciliation of yields done11.6Quarantine and release procedures for finished products in place11.7Storage facility and conditions of storage for finished products acceptable11.8Tests for quality of finished product including assay methods11.9Stability evaluation (records for accelerated stability tests and tests on samples at room temp).12.QUALITY CONTROL12.1Laboratory premises: cleanliness and layout acceptable12.2Ventilation adequate12.3Temperature and humidity controlled12.4Equipment adequate for the product list12.5Equipment in good working order12.6Maintenance, calibration and standardization program for equipment available12.7Sampling and handling of samples acceptable12.8Written specifications and methods of analysis available12.9Validation of methods of analysis done12.10Retention and storage of test samples adequate12.11Written reports and raw data presentations acceptable13.SELF AUDIT13.1All items on product list are registered13.2Final product specifications and monographs available13.3Written, authorized and checked SOPs for all processes and procedures in manufacture, in processes control and quality control available13.4Continued R&D to improve available formulations14.REFERENCE BOOKS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS14.1Current Edition Martindale14.2Current GMP manuals (e.g. British, American or other)14.3United States pharmacopoeia14.4British Pharmacopoeia14.5BPC14.6Remington Pharmaceutical Sciences14.7Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Regulations14.8Others

INSPECTION REPORT: COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATION
(attach additional sheet if necessary)
In an actor of a Name and such auti-mateura Data
Inspector's NameNumberSignatureDate
FORM No. 18
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT G.N. 87/1998
( CAP. 35:01)
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS
MEDICINES INSPECTORATE
Wholesale inspection Report
(section 60)

#### WHOLESALE

1. Name of Wholesale:	Date:
Owner:	Individual/Partnership/Company
Address:	
Tel. No	Fax No
Name of Pharmacist/Manager:	
Registration Number:	

CompliesDefaultNot Applicable2.PREMISES:2.1Constructed and maintained to protect against weather, ground seepage, pests, vermins, etc.2.2Sited to avoid external contamination2.3Surrounding environment pleasant2.4Good state of repair of walls, floors and ceiling2.5Premises clean and tidy, walls and floor cleanable3.SERVICE PROVIDED:3.1Adequate lighting3.2Temperature controlled3.3Acceptable ventilation and humidity3.4Water supply (hot and cold)3.5Disposal of waste; receptacles provided4.SECURITY:4.1Restricted entry into drug storage areas to authorized personnel only4.2Burglar provided4.3Adequate locking systems4.4Security watchmen deployed4.5Burglar alarm installed5.SAFETY:5.1Fire fighting equipment, e.g. hose pipes, fire extinguishers5.2Fire alarm/smoke detector6.LAYOUT OF WAREHOUSE:6.1Adequate space to allow logical flow of goods in receipt, dispatch and storage sections6.2Space adequate enough to allow easy communication and supervision of various operations6.3Warehouse layout and shelving orderly to eliminate mix-up errors or cross contamination during handling6.4Quarantine area for inspection of incoming goods provided6.5Segregated storage for goods6.6.Segregated areas for product recalls6.7Segregated area for expired medicines6.8Pharmacist's office, tea/rest room for other staff available6.9Properly located toilet facilities with water, hand wash basin and other facilities running available7.FACILITIES/EQUIPMENT:7.1Adequate shelving, racks and pallets7.2Refrigerator with freezer in good working order with temperature monitoring device7.3Goods assembly benches and trolleys7.4Cartons, seal tapes, etc.8.HUMAN RESOURCES:8.1Full-time supervision by a registered registration number given8.3Relevant experience pharmacist8.2Name and satisfactory8.4Other adequately trained support staff(1)(2)(30(4)9.RECORDS:9.1Records for receipt of goods, delivery notes and invoices available on file9.2Purchase orders (for stock) and other supplies logistics activities authorized signed/countersigned by pharmacist9.3Expiry dates indicated on inventory records9.4Batch numbers recorded on inventory records9.5All sources of received goods identified and indicated on inventory records9.6Sales records: Details of clinics, hospitals and individuals supplied indicated on inventory records9.7Are the clients supplied bona fide registered persons? And is this requirement adequately verifiable?9.8Quantities sold tally with requisitions and sales invoices.10.OTHER REQUIREMENTS:10.1No unregistered medicines sold in the premises (contrary to PMPB Act)10.2All medicines comply with labelling and other presentation requirements10.3No secondary production activities such as repacking and re-labelling take place10.4Dispatch records and delivery notes (to be) countersigned by pharmacist10.5Records for stock balances available for each item10.6Stock verification done on regular basis and shown on records10.7Records able to trace specific batches delivered for product recall purposes10.8Orders (requisitions) for supply from wholesale verified and countersigned by known (authorized) persons11.CONTROLLED DRUGS: (CD Schedule):11.1Transaction records kept in accordance with the provision of Dangerous Drugs Act11.2Storage in accordance with the Dangerous Drugs Act11.3Supplies sold to authorized clinics or individuals (verified)11.4Other controlled medicines stored securely under lock and key12.REFERENCE BOOKS:12.1Current Edition martindale12.2United States pharmacopoeia12.3British Pharmacopoeia12.4Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Board Act and Regulations12.5PMPB Schedules of Registered Medicine (POM, PIM, P, GSL)

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
(attach additional sheet if necessary)

 $In spector's\ Name Number Signature Date$ 

COMMENTS AND DECOMMENDATIONS

FORM No. 19

PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS ACT G.N. 87/1998

(CAP. 35:01)

# PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS

#### **MEDICINES INSPECTORATE**

Dispensing	Practitioner I	nspection Re	nort (Clinic	Surgery or	Private Hos	nital)(s	section 6	ഹ
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1. PREMISES OWNED BY:
Individual/Partnership/Company
Address:
Tel. No
Available practitioner in-charge:
Other dispensing staff members (nurses, pharmacy assistants, etc.)
Practitioner's registration certificate displayed YES/No.
Dispensing licence displayed YES/No.
Distance from nearest Pharmacy Km

CompliesDefaultNot Applicable 2. DISPENSARY LAYOUT 2.1 Constructed and maintained to protect against weather, ground seepage, pests, vermins, etc.2.2Sited to avoid contamination2.3Separate from Clinical Area (room)2.4Good state of repair of walls, floors and ceiling2.5Adequate ventilation2.6Lighting satisfactory2.7Security satisfactory2.8Wash-hand basin with cold and hot water2.9Toilet facilities satisfactory2.10Adequate seat for waiting area for patients3.STOREROOM:3.1Adequate lighting3.2Temperature controlled3.3Acceptable ventilation and humidity3.4Disposal of waste; receptacles provided3.5Orderly arrangement of medicines; external and internal medicines separated3.6Medicines protected from direct sunlight3.7Medicines protected from heat3.8Medicines protected from moisture3.9Medicines out of reach of patients4.SECURITY AND SAFETY:4.1Restricted entry into storeroom to authorized staff only4.2Adequate locking systems4.3Security watchmen alarm installed4.5Fire fighting equipment, e.g. extinguishers5.DISPENSING PROCEDURES:5.1Dispensed product label to comply with the following:5.1.1Name and strength of the medicine5.1.2Directions for use of medicine5.1.3Name of patient on label5.1.4Quantity dispensed indicated5.1.5Label legible5.1.6Name and address of surgery5.1.7Date of dispensing6.EQUIPMENT:6.1Measuring cylinders for dispensing reconstituted powders6.2Refrigerator in good working condition6.3Medicines counting tray6.4Washable formica dispensing bench6.5Dispensing packs/containers/ glass bottles/vials, etc.6.6Adequate shelves, fans, air conditioner 7. HUMAN RESOURCES. 7.1 Full-time supervisor who is a registered health professional in the medical, nursing or pharmacy field7.2Name and registration number given7.3Relevant experience noted and satisfactory8.RECORDS:8.1Receipt of goods delivery notes and invoices available8.2All sources of received goods indicated on inventory records8.3All documents, e.g. invoices, delivery notes for all receipts carefully filed8.4No unregistered medicines sold in the premises contrary to PMPB Act unless exempted8.5Records for stock movement and balances available for each item8.6Stock verification done on regular basis and shown on records8.7Expired medicines not on shelf and disposed off according to procedure8.8Transaction records for narcotics maintained satisfactorily and according to the provisions of the Controlled Substances Act (DDA)8.9Storage of narcotics in accordance with the Controlled Substances Act (DDA)8.10Other controlled medicines stored securely under lock and key8.11Records for ALL dispensed medicines available; computer, patient cards, etc.9.REFERENCE BOOKS:9.1Current Edition Martindale9.2Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Board Act and Regulations9.3PMPB Schedules of Registered Medicines (POM, PIM, P, GSL)9.4Malawi National Formulary 9.5 Malawi Standard Treatment Guidelines

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1. MEDICINE STORE

Name of Medicine Store:	Date:
Owner:	Individual/Partnership/Company
Address:	
Tel. No	Fax No

CompliesDefaultNot Applicable 2.PREMISES: 2.1 Constructed and maintained to protect against weather, ground seepage, pests, vermins, etc.2.2Sited to avoid external contamination2.3Surrounding environment pleasant2.4Good state of repair of walls, floors and ceiling2.5Premises clean and tidy, walls and floor cleanable3.SERVICES PROVIDED:3.1Adequate lighting3.2Temperature controlled3.3Acceptable ventilation and humidity3.4Water supply3.5Disposal of waste; receptacles provided4.SECURITY AND SAFETY:4.1Adequate locking systems4.2Security watchmen deployed4.3Burglar bars/alarm installed4.4Fire fighting equipment available5.LAYOUT OF DRUG STORE:5.1Space adequate to allow easy communication and supervision of operations5.2Medicines stored to minimize errors or contamination during sale5.3Quarantine area for inspection of incoming goods available5.4Properly located toilet facilities with water, hand wash basin and other facilities available6.EQUIPMENT:6.1Adequate shelving, racks and pallets6.2Refrigerator, if needed, in good working order7.HUMAN RESOURCES:7.1Full-time supervision by a registered health professional approved by the Pharmacy Board7.2Name and registration number of supervisor given 7.3 Relevant experience noted and satisfactory 7.4 Other support staff(1)(2)(3)8.RECORDS:8.1Receipt of documentation such as goods delivery notes and invoices available8.2All sources of received goods identified and indicated on inventory records8.3All documents, e.g. invoices, delivery notes for all receipts carefully filed8.4No unregistered medicines sold in the premises contrary to PMPB Act8.5Only P and GSL medicines found on premises8.6No secondary production activities such as re-packing and re-labelling or dispensing taking place8.7Expired medicines not on shelves and disposed off according to procedure9.REFERENCE BOOKS:9.1Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Board Act and Regulations9.2PMPB Schedules of Registered Medicines (POM, PIM, P, GSL)9.3Malawi National Formulary9.4Guidelines Malawi Standard Treatment

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(CAP. 35:01)
PHARMACY, MEDICINES AND POISONS (FEES AND FORMS) REGULATIONS
MEDICINES INSPECTORATE
Retail Pharmacy Inspection Report
(section 60)
RETAIL PHARMACY
1. Name of Owner: Date:
Owner: Individual/Partnership/Company
Address:
Tel. No

CompliesDefaultNot applicable2. PREMISES:2.1 Constructed and maintained to protect against weather, ground seepage, pests, vermins, etc.2.2 Sited to avoid external contamination2.3 Surrounding environment pleasant2.4 Good state of repair of walls, floors and ceiling2.5 Premises clean and tidy, walls, floors and shelves cleanable3. SERVICES PROVIDED:3.1 Adequate lighting3.2 Temperature controlled3.3 Acceptable ventilation and humidity3.4 Water supply (hot and cold)3.5 Disposal of waste, receptacles provided4. SECURITY:4.1 Restricted entry into drug storage areas to authorized personnel only4.2 Burglar bars provided4.3 Adequate locking systems4.4 Security watchmen deployed4.5 Burglar alarm installed5. SAFETY:5.1 Fire fighting equipment, e.g. hose pipes, fire extinguishers5.2 Fire

alarm/smoke detector6. LAYOUT OF WAREHOUSE:6.1 Suitable lockable room allocated for dispensing POM preparations out of reach of clients. Dispensing counter provided marked "Prescriptions" for serving clients, elevated in relation to the rest of the pharmacy front shop6.2 Dispensing counter clean and tidy with white smooth finish preferably formica6.3 Space (shelving) allocated for PIM preparations behind the dispensing counter with no public access6.4 Small room allocated for private consultations with patients next to the dispensary6.5 Space for the front shop for P and GSL medicines and other merchandise6.6 Medicines stored in all sections in an orderly manner to minimize mix-up errors or contamination during handling6.7 Quarantine area for inspection of incoming goods provided6.8 Segregated storage for rejected goods6.9 Segregated areas for product recalls6.10 Segregated area for expired medicines6.11 Pharmacist's office, tea/rest room for other staff available6.12 Properly located toilet facilities with running water, hand wash basin and other facilities available7. FACILITIES/EQUIPMENT: 7.1 Adequate shelving, racks white smooth finish or formica in all sections 7.2 Refrigerator with freezer in good working order with temperature monitoring device7.3 Dispensing counter (see 5.2)7.4 Measuring cylinders for up to 200 ml volume7.5 Balance in metric system7.6 Dispensing counting trays7.7 Fixed double lockable cupboard for Narcotics7.8 Other controlled substances such as psychotropics under lock and key8. HUMAN RESOURCES:8.1 Full-time supervision by a registered pharmacist8.2 Name and registration number given8.3 Relevant experience noted and satisfactory8.4 Other adequately trained support staff(1)(2)(3)(4)9. RECORDS:9.1 Records for receipt of goods such as delivery notes and invoices available on file9.2 Purchase orders (for stock) and other supplies logistics activities authorized, signed/ countersigned by pharmacist9.3 All sources of received medicines identified and recorded on inventory records9.4 Dispensing records:9.4.1 Patient profile cards9.4.2 Dispensed prescriptions filing system in place9.4.3 Labelling of dispensed prescriptions according to guidelines 9.4.4 Patient counselling according to guidelines 10. OTHER REQUIREMENTS: 10.1 No unregistered medicines handled in the premises 10.2 No expired medicines in the premises. Expired medicines disposed off according to procedure 10.3 Stock verification done on regular basis and shown on records11. CONTROLLED DRUGS: (CD Schedule)11.1 Transaction records kept in accordance with the provision of Dangerous Drugs Act11.2 Storage in accordance with the Dangerous Drugs Act (see 6.7)11.3 Supplies sold to authorized clinics or individuals (verifiable)11.4 Other controlled medicines such as psychotropics stored securely under lock and key and sold to bona fide individuals12. REFERENCE BOOKS:12.1 Current Edition Martindale12.2 United States Pharmacopoeia12.3 British Pharmacopoeia12.4 Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Regulations12.5 PMPB Schedules of Registered Medicines (POM, PIM, P, GSL)

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PART I

#### **PRELIMINARY**

#### 1. Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Regulations.

# 2. Interpretation

In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

"batch number" means the number or other cipher allocated to medicinal product by a manufacturer, by which the origin of raw materials and the complete process of manufacture of the medicinal product can be determined;

"business address" in relation to a business, means the full address of the premises where that business is carried on or any abbreviated address approved by the Board;

"country of origin" in relation to a medicinal product, means the country where the manufacture of that medicinal product was undertaken;

"dangerous drug" or "Controlled Drugs" or "(CD)" means a drug—

- (a) controlled in terms of the Dangerous Drugs Act;
- (b) listed in the Tenth Schedule; or
- (c) registered as such by the Board;

"expiry date", in relation to any batch of a medicinal product, means the date on which the shelf-life of such medicinal product will expire;

"general sales list medicine" or "GSL" means a medicinal product to which Division 3 of Part VI applies or a medicinal product registered as such by the Board;

"logo" means the mark, device, design, letter, word, name or numeral or any combination thereof which is used in, or proposed to be used, in relation to, any medicinal product for the purpose of indicating a connexion with the principal manufacturer of the medicinal product and the medicinal product itself;

"institution" means a hospital, dispensary, clinic, nursing home or other institution at which human ailments are treated;

"label", in relation to a package of a medicinal product, means any written, pictorial or other matter marked on or affixed to the package;

"package insert" means a pamphlet on which is printed the particulars prescribed in regulation 15;

"patent" means a patent registered in terms of the Patents Act and which is of full force and effect;

"pharmacist initiated medicine" or "PIM" means a medicinal product listed in the Sixth Schedule or registered as such by the Board;

"pharmacy medicine" or "(P)" means a medicinal product listed in the Seventh Schedule or registered as such by the Board;

"prescriber" means a medical practitioner, a dentist, or a veterinary surgeon or any other person who is lawfully authorized to prescribe any medicinal product;

"prescription" means an order, in writing or orally by a prescriber for the supply of a medicinal product or combination of medicinal products, for the treatment of a person or animal specified therein;

"prescription only medicines" or "POM" means a medicinal product listed in the Fifth Schedule, or registered as such by the Board;

"shelf-life", in relation to any batch or a medicinal product, means the period up to which a medicinal product in that batch will retain the potency and properties stated on the label as fixed by the manufacturer.

PART II

**FORMS** 

3. Particulars, etc., on forms

- (1) Every person who is required to make an application under the Act shall complete the prescribed form and pay the prescribed fees, and shall furnish to the Registrar with such further information or particulars as may be prescribed.
  - (2) All forms shall be completed in English.

# 4. Illegible or incomplete forms

The Registrar may reject any form if any part of the form is illegible or not properly completed.

#### PART III

#### LICENSING OF PREMISES AND PERSONS

5. Minimum requirements for premises, etc.

Any person who applies for registration under the Act shall ensure that the premises comply with—

- (a) in the case of manufacturing pharmacy business, the minimum requirements set out in Part I of the First Schedule;
- (b) in the case of wholesale pharmacy business, the minimum requirements set out in Part II of the First Schedule;
- (c) in the case of retail pharmacy business, the minimum requirements set out in Part III of the First Schedule;
- (d) in the case of an institution, the minimum requirements set out in Part III of the First Schedule;
- (e) in the case of a registered dispensing practitioner, the minimum requirements set out in Part IV of the First Schedule; and
- (f) in the case of a medicine store, the minimum requirements set out in Part V of the First Schedule.

# 6. Dispensing licences

An application for a dispensing licence to dispense medicinal products from any premises in accordance with section 35 (4) of the Act shall not be granted where such premises are situated within five kilometres of a pharmacy:

Provided that the Board may waive this requirement where the Board considers it in the public interest so to do.

# 7. Duration of licences

Every licence which is issued in respect of premises or to any person pursuant to the Act shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of issue, and may be renewed annually thereafter.

# 8. Display of licences

- (1) Subject to subregulation (2), every licensee shall ensure that his licence is prominently displayed at all times upon the licensed premises to which it relates.
- (2) Subregulation (1) shall not apply in respect of any period during which the licence is necessarily removed from the licensed premises for the purposes of doing anything in terms of the Act or for any other lawful purpose the proof thereof, in any proceedings against any person for contravention of subsection (1), shall lie upon that person.

#### 9. Production and return of licences

- (1) Whenever the Board—
- (a) cancels any licence;
- (b) varies or amends the conditions of any licence; or
- (c) imposes any new condition in respect of or on the renewal of any licence,

the Registrar shall request the holder of the licence to produce such licence within such period as the Registrar may specify, and the holder thereof shall produce such licence within the specified period.

- (2) Any person who fails to comply with a request made in accordance with subregulation (1) shall be guilty of an offence.
- (3) Whenever the Board varies, amends or imposes any new condition in respect of a licence, the Board shall return such licence duly endorsed to the holder thereof within a reasonable time.

#### 10. Application for renewal of licences

- (1) Every application for the renewal of a licence shall be—
- (a) in the prescribed form;
- (b) lodged with the Registrar at least two months before the expiry of the licence; and
- (c) accompanied by the appropriate fee in respect of the licence.
- (2) If an application for the renewal of a licence is lodged with the Registrar after the time limit as specified in subregulation (1) there shall be paid in addition to the renewal fee an appropriate penalty fee in respect of the licence as determined by the Board.

PART IV

#### CLASSIFICATION, REGISTRATION AND RETENTION OF REGISTRATION OF MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

#### 11. Categories for registration

For the purpose of registration, the Board shall divide medicinal products into the categories specified in the Second Schedule.

- 12. Application for registration and retention of registration of medicinal products
  - (1) An application for the registration of a medicinal product may be made by—
  - (a) the person who owns the medicinal product; or
  - (b) any other person registered by the Board.
- (2) Every application for the registration of a medicinal product shall be submitted to the Registrar in the prescribed form and shall be accompanied by—
- (a) a sample of the medicinal product in the smallest of each of the package forms available for distribution to the public, including the identification marks on such product where appropriate, or if the package forms are not yet available, a sample in a package in which the applicant intends to make the medicinal product available for distribution to the public;
- (b) detailed information of all advertising material and package inserts which the applicant intends to use;
- (c) such samples of the medicinal product or the raw materials thereof as the Board may request for analysis;
  - (d) a copy of any literature in support of the application:

Provided that the Board may require additional copies of such literature;

- (e) twenty additional package inserts and twenty labels or copies of the package;
- (f) at least three copies of all records and batch data relating to a particular batch, which shall include raw material analytical reports, master sheets relating to manufacture and packaging in process control records, final product analytical records and authorized for release, and any other relevant records; and
- (g) the prescribed fee, together with such additional fees as the Board may require for the purpose of analysing the medicinal product.
- (3) Every applicant shall, without delay, inform the Board either before or after the registration of a medicinal product—
- (a) of any alteration of the information or particulars furnished by him in applying for registration in terms of subsection (2); and

- (b) whether the medicinal product is to be imported as a finished product into, or relabelled or repackaged or dealt with in any other manner, in Malawi.
- (4) For the purposes of paragraph (b) of subsection (3), "finished product", in relation to a medicinal product, means a medicinal product which is wholly manufactured outside Malawi and is imported into Malawi ready for sale without having to be relabelled or repackaged.
- (5) An application for the retention of the registration of a registered medicinal product shall be submitted to the Registrar, in prescribed form at least two months before the expiry of the licence and shall be accompanied by the prescribed fee.

# 13. Labelling and marking of medicinal products

- (1) Subject to regulation 29, every medicinal product shall, unless otherwise directed by the Board, bear or incorporate a label on the package in which the medicinal product is sold, on which is printed in clear and indelible letters in the English language and any other language as may be directed or approved by the Board the following particulars which relate to that medicinal product—
  - (a) the name and address of the person who owns the medicinal product;
  - (b) the name and address of the manufacturer;
- (c) the approved name of the medicinal product and the proprietary name or trade mark, if any, of the medicinal product;
- (d) the logo, if any, of the person who owns the medicinal product or manufacturer of the medicinal product;
- (e) the name and percentage of any bacteriostatic or bactericidal agent which is added to the medicinal product as a preservative;
  - (f) the date of manufacture and the expiry date of the medicinal product;
  - (g) the batch number of the medicinal product;
  - (h) the quantity of the medicinal product, in the package;
  - (i) the strength of the medicinal product;
- (j) the required storage conditions or other necessary precautions for the preservation of the medicinal product;
- (k) the category of distribution of the medicinal product which may be represented by words or symbols as set out in the Third Schedule;
  - (I) the dosage of the medicinal product and the directions for use;

- (m) any warning notices which shall be in a colour or print other than the colour or print of the particulars referred to in subparagraphs (a) to (I); and
  - (n) any other particulars as may be directed by the Board:

Provided that in the case of a small package containing a medicinal product, it shall be adequate to record the information required by paragraphs (c), (f), (g), (h), and on the outer label.

(2) Every medicinal product shall where possible be marked with the logo of the owner of the medicinal product or manufacturer of the medicinal product, as the case may be, and such other distinguishing mark for the purpose of identifying such medicinal product.

#### 14. Package inserts

Every package of a medicinal product shall, unless otherwise directed by the Board, contain a package insert on which is printed in clear and indelible letters in the English language and any other language as may be directed or approved by the Board the following particulars which relate to medicinal product—

- (a) the name and address of the owner of the medicinal product;
- (b) the name and address of the manufacturer of the medicinal product;
- (c) the approved name of the active ingredient of the medicinal product and the proprietary name or trade mark, if any, of the medicinal product;
- (d) the logo, if any, of the owner of the medicinal product or manufacturer of the medicinal product;
- (e) the name and percentage of any bacteriostatic or bactericidal agent which is added to the medicinal product as a preservative;
  - (f) the strength of the medicinal product, where applicable;
- (g) the required storage conditions or other necessary precautions for the preservation of the medicinal product;
- (h) the category of distribution of the medicinal product which may be represented by words or symbols as set out in the Third Schedule;
- (i) the pharmacological classification of the medicinal product determined in accordance with regulation 11;
  - (j) the dosage of the medicinal product and the directions for use;
  - (k) the description of the pharmacological action of the medicinal product;
  - (I) indications of the medicinal product;

- (m) contra-indications of the medicinal product;
- (n) warnings relating to the use of the medicinal product;
- (o) the side-effects and special precautions of the medicinal product;
- (p) known symptoms of over-dosage and particulars of its treatment;
- (q) the identification of the medicinal product;
- (r) the form in which the medicinal product is presented, whether tablet, capsule or liquid and the colour thereof;
  - (s) the date of publication of the package insert;
- (t) any necessary warning concerning the administration or use of the medicinal product by children, old people, pregnant women or patients suffering from certain diseases, or the use of the medicinal product in conjunction with the consumption of alcohol or any particular food or any other medicinal product;
- (u) a summary of relevant information concerning the purpose and the beneficial, detrimental, injurious or other effects of the medicinal product, and the possible dangers that may arise from the prolonged use of the medicinal product;
- (v) relevant information, including particulars in regard to a specific medicinal product as an antidote (if known), concerning the treatment of a patient in cases where an overdose of the medicinal product has been administered or where a patient reacts adversely to the medicinal product; and
  - (w) any other particulars or warning notices as may be directed by the Board.

# 15. Categories for distribution

- (I) Where the Board approves the registration of a medicinal product it shall fix, as a condition of registration, the appropriate category for distribution of that medicinal product, prescribed in the Third Schedule.
- (2) The same categories for distribution of a medicinal product shall apply to veterinary medicines and shall be identified by the suffix "(VET)".

# 16. Medicinal products register

The Registrar shall enter in the register in respect of each medicinal product registered by the board—

- (a) the date of the application for registration of the medicinal product;
- (b) the number allocated to the application for registration;

- (c) the proprietary name or trade mark of the medicinal product, if any;
- (d) the logo of the owner of the medicinal product or manufacturer of the medicinal product, if any;
  - (e) the particulars of the patent of the medicinal product, if any;
  - (f) the approved name of the medicinal product;
- (g) the form in which the medicinal product is presented, whether tablet, capsule or liquid and the colour thereof;
  - (h) the strength of the medicinal product;
- (i) the qualitative and quantitative details of every ingredient in each dosage unit of the medicinal product;
  - (j) the name and business address of the owner of the medicinal product;
  - (k) the name and business address of the manufacturer of the medicinal product;
  - (I) the country of origin of the medicinal product;
  - (m) the name and address of the applicant;
  - (n) the number allocated to the inspection report of the place of manufacture, if applicable;
  - (o) the date of registration of the medicinal product;
  - (p) the registration number of the medicinal product;
  - (q) the shelf-life of the medicinal product;
- (r) the category for distribution of the medicinal product fixed in accordance with regulation 15 and any other conditions of registration;
- (s) the pharmacological classification of the medicinal product determined in accordance with regulation 11;
- (t) the date and particulars of any variation in the conditions of registration of the medicinal product;
  - (u) the payment of any fee for the retention or registration of the medicinal product; and
- (v) where applicable, the date of the cancellation of the registration of the medicinal product.
- 17. Certificate of registration for medicinal products

After registering a medicinal product, the Registrar shall issue a certificate of registration in the prescribed form.

- 18. Production and return of registration certificate for medicinal products
  - (1) Whenever the Board—
  - (a) cancels the registration of any medicinal product;
  - (b) varies or amends the conditions of registration of any medicinal products; or
  - (c) imposes any new conditions on the registration of any medicinal product,

the Registrar shall request the holder of the registration certificate concerned to produce such certificate within a reasonable period as the Registrar may specify and the holder thereof shall produce such certificate within the specified period.

- (2) Any person who fails to comply with a request made in accordance with subsection (1) shall be guilty of an offence.
- (3) Whenever the Board varies, amends or imposes any new condition on any registration certificate, the Board shall return such certificate, duly endorsed, to the holder thereof within a reasonable period.

PART V

#### GENERAL, CONDITIONS FOR SALE OF MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

19. Importation of medicinal products with less than one-half of shelf-life

No person shall, without the prior written approval of the Board, import into Malawi any medicinal product which has less than one-half of its shelf-life remaining upon arrival in Malawi.

20. Delivery and sale of medicinal products with less than one-half of shelf-life

No person shall, without the prior written approval of the Board, deliver, receive, accept or sell any medicinal product whose shelf-life is less than one-half.

21. Sale of expired medicinal products

No person shall sell any medicinal product on a date later than the expiry date which appears on the package of such medicinal product.

22. Medicinal products to be sold from licensed premises

No person shall sell any medicinal product unless the sale is effected on premises—

(a) licensed under the Act; or

(b) authorized in terms of these Regulations:

Provided that this regulation shall not apply to the sale of general sales list medicines.

23. Conditions of sale of medicinal products

No person shall sell any medicinal product unless—

- (a) he is authorized to do so; or
- (b) the sale is effected by or under the continuous personal supervision of an authorized person.

# 24. Disclosure of composition of medicinal product

No person shall sell any of the medicinal product which is not labelled in accordance with the requirements of regulation 13.

## 25. Safe-keeping of certain medicinal products

- (1) No person who sells any medicinal products listed in the Fifth, Sixth or Seventh Schedule shall keep such medicinal products on an open shelf in a part of his premises to which members of the public have access.
- (2) Any person who has in his possession or under his control or uses any medicinal product shall exercise all reasonable care in the custody, safe-keeping and use thereof.

#### 26. Return of medicinal products three months before expiry

(1) Any person who practices or carries on the business of a pharmacy or dispenses any medicinal product may, where a medicinal product is due to expire, return such medicinal product, not less than three months before the expiry date of such medicinal product, to the manufacturer, agent or distributor, as the case may be:

Provided that the medicinal product shall be returned in its original unbroken package, as sealed by the manufacturer.

- (2) On receipt of medicinal products returned pursuant to subparagraph (1), the manufacturer, agent or distributor, as the case may be—
  - (a) shall store such medicinal product in a quarantine area of his premises; and
  - (b) may reimburse the person who returned the medicinal products by—
    - (i) awarding a credit, or
    - (ii) replacing such surrendered or returned medicinal products,

to the person concerned.

## 27. Return of expired medicinal products

- (1) Any person who practises or carries on the business of a pharmacist or dispenses any medicinal product shall, where a medicinal product has expired—
- (a) return such expired medicinal product to the manufacturer, agent or distributor, as the case may be; or
- (b) destroy such expired medicinal product on site in accordance with standard operating procedures.
- (2) On receipt of an expired medicinal product the manufacturer, agent or distributor, as the case may be, shall destroy the medicinal product in accordance with standard operating procedures.

## 28. Dispensing of medicinal products

- (1) No person shall dispense any medicinal product in or from an area to which members of the public have access.
- (2) No person shall own, install or use or cause or permit the installation of, any machine designed or intended to be used to supply any medicinal product.
- 29. Labels for dispensed prescription only medicinal products

Every person who dispenses a prescription only medicine shall label such medicinal product with—

- (a) the registered name, strength and form of the medicinal product;
- (b) the total quantity of the medicinal product;
- (c) the directions for use;
- (d) any warnings;
- (e) the name of the patient;
- (f) the name of the prescriber;
- (g) the prescription reference number allocated to the prescription by the person dispensing the medicinal product;
  - (h) the date on which the prescription only medicine is supplied; and
  - (i) the name and address of the supplier.
- 30. Limit of validity of prescription

No person shall dispense any prescription for the first time later than one month after the date of issue of the prescription.

## 31. Copy of prescription

A copy of a prescription marked "copy—for information—not to be dispensed" may be given to the patient by the person who dispenses the prescription.

## 32. Records of Prescription

The supplier of a prescription shall, on the day of which a prescription is dispensed or, if that is not reasonably practicable, on the business day next following that day, record in a manner acceptable to the Board, a complete copy of the prescription.

## 33. Preservation of records of prescription

Every person who dispenses any medicinal product shall keep or cause to be kept a record of such dispensing for a period of two years and shall preserve such record on the premises in which the dispensing takes place:

Provided that where the premises cease to be used or licensed such person shall make arrangements, acceptable to the Board, for the preservation or destruction of such records.

# 34. Resctriction on advertising medicinal products

- (1) No person shall advertise any medicinal product without the prior written approval of the Board.
- (2) No person shall advertise or sell any medicinal product to the public in connexion with any bonus offer or discount.
- (3) No person shall advertise any medicinal products to members of the public in terms calculated to lead to its use for the treatment of human beings for any of the conditions set out in the Fourth Schedule.

PART VI

SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SALE FOR PRESCRIPTION ONLY MEDICINES, PHARMACIST INITIATED MEDICINES AND PHARMACY MEDICINES, GENERAL SALES LIST MEDICINES AND VETERINARY MEDICINES

Division 1—Prescription only Medicines (POM)

# 35. Possession of prescription only medicine

(1) No person shall possess a prescription only medicine unless, in accordance with subregulation (2), he is a member of a class of persons authorized to be in possession thereof.

- (2) The classes of persons who are authorized to be in possession of a prescription only medicine shall be—
- (a) in the case of a dangerous drug, any person who is authorized or licensed in terms of the Dangerous Drugs Act; Cap. 35:02
  - (b) in the case of a prescription only medicine other than a dangerous drug—
    - (i) prescriber;
- (ii) any person in the employ and acting under the personal supervision of a prescriber in so far as is necessary in the execution of his duties; and
- (iii) any person to whom the prescription only medicine has been supplied in accordance with a prescription by a prescriber.
- 36. Supply of prescription only medicine
- (1) Subject to this regulation and regulation 37, no person shall supply any prescription only medicine listed in the Fifth Schedule otherwise than in accordance with the written prescription of a prescriber:

Provided that where it is not reasonably practicable for a prescriber to furnish to the supplier such written prescription immediately, the prescription only medicine may be supplied on the oral direction of the prescriber on one occasion only, and the prescriber shall furnish to the supplier a written prescription within three days.

- (2) For the purpose of this regulation, a prescription shall—
- (a) bear the name, address and qualifications of the prescriber;
- (b) specify the name and address of the person for whom it is given or, if the prescription is issued by a veterinary surgeon, of the person for whose animal the prescription is issued; and
  - (c) have written thereon—
    - (i) if issued by a dentist, the words "for dental treatment only"; or
    - (ii) if issued by a veterinary surgeon, the words "for animal treatment only"; or
    - (iii) if issued for topical application, the words "for external use only";
- (d) if the person for whom the prescription is being issued is under the age of twelve years, state the person's age;
- (e) be legibly written, in the handwriting of the prescriber, and contain the following particulars—

- (i) the date on which the prescription is issued; (ii) the registered name, strength and form of the medicinal product;
- (iii) the total daily dose of the medicinal product; (iv) the total quantity of the medicinal product; and (v) the directions for use;
- (f) where the medicinal product is packed otherwise than in ampoules, indicate the total amount to be supplied and, except in the case of a medicinal product which is to be used for external treatment only the dose to be taken;
- (g) where the medicinal product is packed in ampoules, indicate either the total amount to be supplied or the total amount it is intended should be administered or injected and, in either case, the amount it is intended should be administered or injected in each dose;
- (h) not be for more than thirty days' supply at the dosage indicated, and not authorize more than five further supplies of thirty days each:Provided that nothing in this paragraph shall apply to the supply of reasonable quantities of medicinal product to persons who intend to depart temporarily from Malawi; and
  - (i) be signed in full by the prescriber issuing it.
- (3) In an emergency any pharmacist may sell any medicinal product listed in the Fifth Schedule at the request of any person, subject to the following conditions—
- (a) that the pharmacist by, or under whose supervision the medicinal product is to be sold, has satisfied himself—
- (i) that there is an immediate need for the medicinal product requested and that it is impracticable in the circumstances to obtain a prescription without undue delay; and
- (ii) that the medicinal product requested has on a previous occasion been prescribed by a medicinal practitioner, dentist or veterinary surgeon, as the case may be, for the person requesting it;
  - (b) that not more than three days quantity of the medicinal product is sold:Provided that—
- (i) where a public holiday falls within the three-day period, a sufficient quantity of such medicinal product may be sold; and
- (ii) where the medicinal product is in a composite pack which exceeds three days supply a single pack may be sold;
- (c) that the pharmacist by or under whose supervision the medicinal product is sold, before he delivers such medicinal product makes an entry in his records stating—
  - (i) the date on which the medicinal product is sold;

- (ii) the registered name, quantity, form and strength of the medicinal product;
- (iii) the name and address of the person requesting the medicinal product;
- (iv) the nature of the emergency; and
- (v) the name of the medicinal practitioner, dentist or veterinary surgeon, as the case may be, if ascertainable; and
  - (d) that the medicinal product is labelled—
    - (i) in accordance with regulation 29; and
    - (ii) with the words "Emergency Supply".

# 37. Dispensing of prescription only medicines

Every person who dispenses a prescription only medicine shall ensure that—

- (a) the prescription is not dispensed more than once, unless the prescriber has directed otherwise and in such event the lawful instructions of the prescriber shall be complied with; and
- (b) at the time of dispensing, or where a prescription preparation has been supplied in accordance with the proviso to regulation 36 (1), on the subsequent receipt of the prescription, there is noted on the prescription the name and address of the supplier and the date on which the prescription is dispensed.
- 38. Storage and safe custody of prescription only medicine
- (1) Every person who is authorized under regulation 35 (2) (b) to be in possession of a prescription only medicine keep such medicinal product in a place to which members of the public do not have access, and in a cupboard or drawer, or on a shelf reserved solely for the storage of such medicinal products.
- (2) Any person who is in possession of a prescription only medicine shall keep such medicinal product in a place to which children do not normally have access.

Division 2—Pharmacist Initiated Medicines (PIM) and Pharmacy Medicines (PM)

- 39. Sale of pharmacist initiated and pharmacy medicines
- (1) No person other than a pharmacist shall sell a pharmacist initiated medicine listed in the Sixth Schedule at the request of any person, and every such sale shall be subject to the following conditions—
- (a) that the pharmacist by or under whose supervision the medicinal product is sold, before he delivers such medicinal product, makes an entry in his records stating—

- (i) the name and address of the person requesting the medicinal product and the person for whom it is intended;
  - (ii) if the person is under the age of twelve years, the age of the person;
  - (iii) the date on which the medicinal product is sold;
  - (iv) the registered name, quantity, form and strength of the medicinal product;
  - (v) the total daily dose of the medicinal product; and
  - (vi) the directions for use; and
- (b) that the medicinal product is labelled in accordance with regulation 13 as may be appropriate.
- (2) No person other than a pharmacist, or a person acting under the continuous personal supervision of a pharmacist medicines in a medicine store, shall sell a pharmacy medicine listed in the Seventh Schedule.

Division 3—General Sales List Medicines (GSL)

# 40. Sale of general sales list medicines

Any person may, subject to any other written law relating to the sale of goods, sell any general sales list medicine:

Provided that such medicinal product is labelled in accordance with regulation 13 and is sold in original unbroken packs.

Division 4—Veterinary Medicines

# 41. Sale of veterinary medicines

The provisions of Division 1, 2 and 3 shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the sale of veterinary medicines.

## 42. Conditions of sale of veterinary medicines

The sale of veterinary medicines by an authorized dealer shall be in original unbroken packs, sealed by the manufacturer.

## 43. Use of veterinary medicines

No person shall use any veterinary medicine for the treatment of human beings.

PART VII

SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR INSTITUTIONS

## 44. Supply of medicinal products from institutions to out-patients

The provisions of Division 1 of Part VI shall apply to any medicinal product dispensed from an institution to an outpatient.

# 45. Supply of medicinal products for use within institutions

- (1) In any institution in which medicinal products are dispensed in a dispensary or pharmaceutical department, no medicinal products shall be supplied from that dispensary or pharmaceutical department, except in cases of emergency, for use in wards, operating theatres or other sections of the institution, unless such medicinal product is supplied on the directions of a prescriber.
  - (2) Every package of a medicinal product supplied under subsection (1) shall be labelled with—
  - (a) the registered name, form, strength and quantity of the medicinal product;
  - (b) the directions for use;
  - (c) the name of the patient;
  - (d) the date on which such medicinal product is supplied; and
  - (e) the name of the prescriber.

## 46. Storage and handling of medicinal products in institutions

- (1) Every medicinal product in an institution shall be stored in place to which no unauthorized person has access.
- (2) Every person who handles or distributes medicinal products in an institution shall ensure that no unauthorized persons have access to such medicinal products during the handling or distribution of such medicinal products.

**PART VIII** 

## MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

## 47. Withdrawal of medicinal products

- (1) Where the Board is of the opinion that the withdrawal of any medicinal product is necessary for the protection of the public, the Board may require any person to withdraw such medicinal product in accordance with such procedures as the Board may determine.
- (2) Every person who is in possession of a medicinal product required to be withdrawn under subregulation (1) shall comply with the procedure for the withdrawal of such medicinal product as determined by the Board.

#### 48. Report of loss or theft of medicinal products

Any person, other than a person to whom a prescription preparation is lawfully dispensed, who is in possession of any medicinal product and who misplaces or loses such medicinal product or from whom such medicinal product is stolen, shall report such loss or theft, as the case may be, to a police officer and to the Registrar as soon as is reasonably practicable, and in any case within twenty-four hours of the occurrence of the loss or theft.

# 49. Disposal of existing stocks of prohibited medicinal products

If at any time any medicinal product becomes prohibited any person other than a person to whom a medicinal product is lawfully dispensed who is in possession of such medicinal product at the time shall inform the Board of his possession, and shall dispose of such medicinal product in such manner as the Board may direct.

# 50. Availability of Act and regulations

A copy of the Act and these Regulations shall be available at all premises licensed under the Act.

**FIRST SCHEDULE** 

PART I

#### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR PREMISES USED FOR MANUFACTURING PHARMACY BUSINESS

1.Premises1.1Premises should be sited to avoid contamination from the external environment or from other nearby activities and in existing premises, effective measures should be taken to avoid such contamination.1.2Animal houses should be well isolated from manufacturing areas.1.3Premises should be constructed and maintained so as to be protected against weather, ground seepage and the entrance and harbouring of vermin, birds and pests.1.4Premises should be designed and laid-out in such a way that the risk of mix-up or contamination of one product or material by another is minimized. This especially applies to premises for the handling of highly toxic or sensitizing materials such as hormones, cytotoxic agents and antibiotics.1.5Protection from the weather should be provided for receiving and despatch areas and for materials and products in transit.1.6Premises should be maintained in a good state of repair. The condition of buildings should be reviewed regularly and repairs effected where necessary. Special care should be exercised to ensure that buildings and repair or maintenance operations do not hazard products.1.7Premises should have sufficient space to suit the operations to be carried out, allow an efficient flow of work, and permit effective communication and supervision.1.8The processing of materials for non-medicinal use should be separated from the processing of medicinal products.1.9Cloakrooms should be separate from, or partitioned from processing areas. Toilets should be well ventilated and should not open directly to manufacturing areas.1.10Premises in which medicinal products are manufactured or stored should be made secure, with access restricted to authorized personnel.1.11Floors in processing areas should be made of impervious materials, laid on an even surface, free from cracks and open joints, and should allow prompt and efficient removal of any spillages. Walls should be sound and finished with a smooth, impervious and washable surface. Ceilings should be so constructed and finished that they can be maintained in a clean condition.1.12Pipework, light fittings, ventilation points and other services in manufacturing areas should be sited to avoid the creation of uncleanable recesses; and should be sealed into any walls and partitions through which they pass service should preferably be run outside the processing areas.1.13Drains should be of adequate size, and should have trapped quellies and proper ventilation. Open channels should be avoided where possible, but if they are necessary, they should be shallow to facilitate cleaning and disinfection.1.14Buildings should be effectively lit and properly ventilated, with air control facilities including temperature, humidity and filtration facilities appropriate both to the operations undertaken within them and to the external environment.1.15Air intakes and exhausts, and associate pipework and trucking should be sited to avoid product contamination hazards.1.16Manufacturing areas should not be used as a general right of way for personnel or except of materials used in the manufacturing process, for storage of materials.1.17All premises, including processing areas, laboratories, stores, passage ways, external surroundings should be maintained in a clean and tidy condition.1.18Waste material should not be allowed to accumulate but should be collected in suitable receptacles for removal to collection points outside the building, and disposed of at regular and frequent intervals. Special care is necessary over the disposal of waste containing dangerous, highly toxic or sensitizing materials such as hormones, cytotpxic agents, sensitizing antibiotics. Disposal of raw materials, printed packing materials and rejected products should be carefully controlled and documented.1.19There should be made available written cleaning procedures and schedules for manufacturing and storage areas.1.20Adequate space, preferably separated from processing areas, should be provided for cleaning and storing equipment, and the storage of cleaning materials.2.Storage areas2.1Storage areas should be designed, laid-out and be of sufficient capacity to permit effective and orderly segregation of the various categories of material stored and allow rotation of stock.2.2Segregated storage should be provided for rejected, recalled, expired or returned goods. Where the maintenance quarantine status depends upon storage in separate areas, such areas should be provided with restricted access.2.3Labels and other printed packaging materials, including labels for starting materials and for bulk and intermediate products, should be stored in a secure manner that will permit issue only to authorized person in accordance with formal documented procedures. Storage arrangements should permit separation of different labels and other printed materials and avoidance of mix-up.2.4Goods should be stored off the floor. Provision should be made for shelving, racking and pelleting and in a manner that will permit easy cleaning and the use of pest control agents by trained personnel without risk of contamination.2.5All goods should be stored under cover.2.6All materials containers should be clean before they are admitted to stores and checked again for cleanliness before issued to manufacturing areas.2.7Where special storage conditions such as temperature, humidity and security are required, these should be provided, checked and monitored.3.Equipment3.1Equipment should be designed and located to suit the process and products for which it is to be used. Equipment should be maintained so as to be fit to perform contemplated functions and present no hazard to the product and personnel.3.2Manufacturing equipment should be easily and conveniently cleanable, both inside and outside. There should be available written instructions for cleaning of equipment and suitable cleaning facilities should be provided.3.3Equipment should not be a hazard to products through leaking joints, lubricant drips, or through inappropriate modifications or adaptations.3.4Equipment used for weighing, measuring, testing and recording should be subject to regular recorded checks for accuracy and working order, in accordance with a written planned maintenance schedule.4.Qualifications of personnel4.1The key personnel are the person responsible for production and the person responsible for quality control, who should be different persons, neither of whom should be responsible to the other, but who should both have a responsibility for achieving the requisite quality.4.2Manufacturing operations shall be carried out under the supervision of a registered pharmacist with adequate relevant postgraduate training with the support of suitably qualified personnel such as a pharmacy technologist or pharmacy assistant.4.3All quality control operations shall be carried out under the supervision of an appropriately trained pharmacist or chemist with relevant postgraduate training with the support of suitably qualified personnel such as pharmacy technologist, laboratory technologist or chemist.4.4All manufacturing and quality control processes should be done in accordance with Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) as approved by Board.

#### PART II

#### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR PREMISES FOR WHOLESALE PHARMACY BUSINESS (reg. 5)

1.Premises and equipment1.1Premises should be sited to avoid contamination from the external environment or from the nearby activities and in existing premises, effective measures should be taken to avoid such contamination.1.2Premises should be constructed and maintained so as to be protected against weather, ground seepage and the entrance and harbouring of vermin, birds, pests and pets.1.3Protection from the weather should be provided for receiving and dispatching areas and for materials and products in transit.1.4Premises should be maintained in good state of repair. The condition of buildings should be reviewed regularly, and repairs effected where necessary. Special care should be exercised to ensure that buildings, repair and maintenance operations do not hazard products.1.5Premises should provide sufficient space to suit the operations to be carried out, allow an efficient flow of work, and permit effective communication and supervision.1.6Cloakrooms should be separate from or partitioned from processing areas. Toilets should be well ventilated and should not open directly to storage areas.1.7Premises in which medicinal products are stored should be secure, with access restricted to authorized personnel.1.8Floors in processing areas should be made of impervious materials, laid on an even surface, free from cracks and open joints and should allow prompt and efficient removal of any spillages. Walls should be sound and finished with a smooth, impervious and washable surface. Ceilings should be so constructed and finished that they can be maintained in a clean condition.1.9Buildings should be effectively lit and properly ventilated, with air control facilities including temperature and humidity appropriate both to operations undertaken within them and to the external environment.1.10All premises, including processing areas, stores, passage ways and external surroundings, should be maintained in a clean and tidy condition.1.11Waste material should not be allowed to accumulate, but it should be collected in suitable receptacles for removal to collection points outside the building and disposed of at regular and frequent intervals. Special care is necessary over the disposal of waste containing dangerous, highly toxic or sensitizing materials such as hormones, cytotoxic agents, sensitizing antibiotics.1.12Segregated storage should be provided for rejected, expired or returned goods.1.13Goods should be stored off the floor. Provision should be made for shelving, racking and pelleting, and in a manner that will permit easy cleaning and the use of pest control agents by trained personnel without risk of contamination.1.14Where special storage conditions such as temperature, humidity and security are required; these should be provided, and checked and monitored regularly. In particular, controlled temperature environments should be equipped with temperature recorders.1.15Van selling should be restricted to items on the general sales list.2.Qualifications of personnel2.1Wholesale operations shall be carried out under the direct full-time supervision of a registered pharmacist, with the support of a suitably qualified personnel such as a pharmacy assistant or pharmacy technologist, who shall be responsible for the funding, procurement, clearing, receipting, storage, distribution and documentation relating to medicinal products.2.2The services of alocum may be used.3.Records3.1Adequate records shall be maintained for— (a) receipts source, quantity, expiry dates and batch number of medicinal products; (b) sales (source, quantity, expiry dates and batch number of medicinal products) despatches shall be countersigned by a pharmacist. Orders shall be signed by authorized persons known to the wholesaling unit; stock (balances) of each batch (c) disposal of rejected or/expired products and records shall be kept for a and consignment; (d) minimum period of 2 years. All expired products must be notified to the Board when destroyed plus method of destruction used.

#### PART III

#### MINIMUM REQUIRMENTS FOR PREMISES USED FOR RETAIL PHARMACY BUSINESS (reg. 5)

1.Premises 1.1Premises shall be constructed and maintained so as to be protected against weather, ground seepage and the entrance and harbouring of vermin, pest and pets.1.2Premises should be maintained in a good state of repair. The condition of buildings should be reviewed regularly, and repairs effected where necessary. Special care should be exercised to ensure that buildings, and repair or maintenance operations do not hazard products.1.3Premises should provide sufficient space to suit the operations to be carried out, allow an efficient flow of work, and permit effective communication and supervision.1.4Toilets should be well ventilated and should not open directly to storage areas.1.5Floors should be made of impervious materials, laid to an even surface, and should be free from cracks and open joints. If not carpeted floors should have tiles to facilitate easy cleaning. Walls should be sound and finished with a smooth, impervious and washable surface. Ceilings should be so constructed and finished that they can be maintained in a clean condition.1.6Buildings should be effectively lit and properly ventilated with air control facilities.1.7All premises, including stores, passage ways and external surroundings, should be maintained in a clean and tidy condition.1.8Premises in which medicinal products are stored should be made secure, with access restricted to authorized personnel.1.9Waste material should not be allowed to accumulate, but it should be collected in suitable receptacles for removal to collection points outside the building and disposed of at regular and frequent intervals.1.10The dispensary should be separate and independent from other operations, and should be locked when the pharmacist is not present. The dispensary should have running water (cold and warm) and adequate working and cleaning benches with formica tops and adequate shelving.1.11The dispensary and consulting room should be elevated overlooking pharmacy and medicine counter.2. Equipment and reference books 2.1A Pharmacy shall, where relevant, have measuring cylinders, a stirring rod, counting trays, balance, fridge, a fixed lockable DDA cupboard, current edition of Martindale and other books such as British National Formulary (BNF). United States Pharmacopoeia (USP) and Malawi National Formulary (MNF).3.Records 3.1Patient profile cards should be kept where possible.3.2Prescriptions should be kept for a minimum period of two years and should be numbered and filed chronologically.3.3Record of receipts with expiry dates and Lot. No. should be kept for a minimum of two years.4.Labelling 4.1Labelling of dispensed medicine products should include— (a)

name of patient; its strength and quantity dispensed; (b) name of medicine, (c)

directions for use; (d) date of dispensing; and (e) name of pharmacy or dispensing unit. The Pharmacist shall communicate to the patient any other pertinent information.5.Prescription 5.1A prescription should have— (a) name of patient; (b)

name of medicine, its strength and quantity dispensed; (c) directions for use; and (d)

signature, date and address of the prescriber.5.2A prescription should be checked and endorsed after dispensing.6.Personnel 6.1A retail pharmacy should be under the direct supervision of a full-time registered pharmacist assisted by appropriately trained personnel approved by the Board.

#### **PART IV**

#### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTERED DISPENSING PRACTITIONER (reg. 5)

1.Dispensary layout 1.1Dispensary shall be separated from the clinical areas.1.2Dispensary should be maintained in good state of repair. The general condition of the building should be reviewed regularly and repairs effected where necessary.1.3Dispensary should be clean and tidy at all times.1.4Floors and walls should be free from cracks and made of impervious material for easy cleaning.1.5Dispensary should be effectively lit and properly ventilated.1.6Dispensary should be made adequately secure with no access to unauthorized persons.1.7Dispensary should have running water (cold and warm), adequate shelving for medicines and other supplies, adequate patient waiting area with seats.1.8A toilet for staff with running water, must be provided but should not open directly to the dispensing area.2.Storage room (if separated from dispensary)2.1The main storeroom for medicines should have adequate lighting and ventilation.2.2Medicines and other supplies should be arranged on shelves in an orderly manner.2.3Medicines should be protected from direct sunlight and excess heat and kept well out of reach of patients.2.4Storeroom should be provided with adequate security measures including adequate locking system, burglar bars and there shall be restricted entry into storeroom.3.Dispensing requirements 3.1Labelling of dispensed medicinal products must be legible and should include—Name of patient; Name of medicine, its strength and quantity dispensed; Directions for use of medicine; Date of dispensing; Name of surgery or clinic or dispensing unit. 4. Equipment and reference books 4.1. Measuring cylinders for dispensing reconstituted powders must be made available.4.2Refrigerator in good working condition must be provided.4.3Medicine counting trays for tablets and capsules must be provided.4.4Dispensing packs or containers must be available.4.5A fixed lockable cupboard for controlled medicines, including narcotics must be provided.4.6Current editions of the following publications must be made available—Current edition martindale; Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Board Act and Regulations; Pharmacy, Medicines and Poisons Board schedules of registered medicines;Mala???i National Formulary;Mala???i Standard Treatment Guidelines.5.Records 5.1Patient profile cards should be maintained.5.2Dispensed prescriptions should be kept for a minimum of 2 years and should be filed orderly.5.3Records of sources of medicinal products, receipt of goods, stock movement, should be available and kept for a minimum of 2 years.6. Human Resources 6.1A dispensary should be managed and supervised by a fulltime registered health professional in the medical, nursing or pharmacy field.6.2Other suitably qualified staff may also be employed to assist the supervisor.

#### PART V

#### MINIMUM REQUIREMENT FOR OPERATION OF A MEDICINE STORE

1.Premises 1.1Premises should be constructed and maintained so as to be protected against weather, ground seepage and the entrance and harbouring of vermin and pests.1.2Premises should be maintained in a good state of repair. The condition of the buildings should be reviewed regularly, and repairs effected where necessary. Special care should be exercised to ensure that building, repair or maintenance operations do not hazard the products.1.3Premises should provide sufficient space to suit the operations to be carried out, allow an efficient flow of work and permit effective communication and supervision.1.4Toilets should be well ventilated and should not open directly to the medicine store.1.5Floors should be made of impervious material and should be free from cracks and open joints. Walls should be sound and finished with a smooth, impervious and washable surface. Ceilings should be so constructed and finished that they can be maintained in a clean condition.1.6The building should be effectively lit and properly ventilated.1.7All premises, including stores, passage ways and external surroundings, should be maintained in a clean and tidy condition.1.8Premises in which medicinal products are stored should be made secure, with access restricted to authorized personnel.1.9Waste material should not be allowed to accumulate, but should be collected in suitable receptacles for removal to collection points outside the building and disposed of at regular and frequent intervals.1.10Adequate shelving should be provided.

SECOND SCHEDULE (reg. 11)

#### PHARMACOLOGICAL CLASSIFICATION CATEGORIES OF MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

PART I

# **HUMAN CLASSIFICATION**

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hormones17.9.2 Parathyroid inhibitors17.10Pituitary hormones/inhibitors—17.10.1 **Pituitary** hormones17.10.2 **Pituitary** inhibitors17.11Tropic hormones17.12Hormone inhibitors (other than the above)17.13Fertility stimulants17.14Others18.Immunologicals18.1Sera/immunoglobulins—18.1.1 Antitoxins18.1.2 Antivenons18.1.3 Immune globulins18.1.4 Others18.2Vaccines19.Ophthalmic drugs19.1Antiinfective19.1.1 Antibiotics 19.1.2 Suphonamides 19.1.3 Antivirals19.1.4 Antiseptic19.1.5 Others19.2Corticosteroids-19.2.1 Without antibiotics19.2.2 With antibiotics19.3Local anaesthetics19.4Miotics19.5Mydriatics19.6Diagnostics19.7Systemic19.8Contact lens preparations19.9Topical decongestants and anti-allergies19.10Others20.Ear, nose, throat and mouth preparations20.1Ear—20.1.1 Anti-infective20.1.2 Anti-inflammatory20.1.3 Analgesic20.1.4 Wax removers20.1.5 Others20.2Nose—20.2.1 Anti-infective 20.2.2 Corticosteroid and combination)20.2.3 Antihistamines (plain and combination)20.2.4 Other decongestants and antiallergics20.2.5 Cauterising preparations20.2.6 Others20.3Throat and mouth—20.3.1 Special dental preparations20.3.2 Mouth ulcer preparations20.3.3 Local analgesics/anaesthetics (including toothache and teething preparations)20.3.4 Antiseptic mouthwashes, gargles, sprays, paints, etc.20.3.5 Antiseptic lozenges20.3.6 Others21.Drugs used in labour, delivery and contraception21.1Labour and delivery— Pre-partum uterine contraction stimulants21.1.2 Post-partum uterine contraction stimulants21.1.3 Uterine contraction inhibitors21.2Hormonal contraceptives—21.2.1 Combined oral contraceptives21.2.2 Progesterone-only contraceptives21.2.3 Injectables21.2.4 oral Others21.3Spermicides21.4Intrauterine devices21.5Barrier devices22.Drugs acting on the respiratory tract 22.1Anti-asthmatic drugs—22.1.1 Systemic bronchodilators22.1.2 Inhalation bronchodilators22.1.3 Inhalation corticosteroids22.1.4 Other inhalation products22.1.5 Other systemic products22.2Cough and cold preparations—22.2.1 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minerals24.4.2 Compound preparations24.5Vitamins plus minerals24.6Tonics—24.6.1 Tonics with vitamins24.6.2 Tonics with minerals24.6.3 Tonics with vitamins and minerals24.6.4 Others25.Nutritional agents25.1Intravenous nutrition preparations25.2Milk substitutes25.3Special oral foods26.Enzymes (excluding gi tract)27.Enzymes inhibitors28.Homeopathic, Herbal and dutch remedies28.1Homeopathic remedies28.2Herbal remedies28.3Dutch remedies29.Radioactive isotopes, and kits for their preparations29.1Diagnostic29.2Therapeutic30.Environmental disinfectants and decontaminants

THIRD SCHEDULE (regs. 11,12 and 13)

# CATEGORIES FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

Prescription only Medicines (POM) are medicinal products controlled under Division 1 of Part VI.

Pharmacist Initiated Medicines or (PIM) are medicinal products controlled under Division 2 of Part VI.

Pharmacy Medicines are medicinal products controlled as such under Division 2 of Part VI.

General Sales List Medicines (GSL) are medicinal products suitable for self medication and which are controlled under Division 3 of Part VI.

# Controlled Drugs (CD) are medicinal products listed in the Tenth Schedule.

FOURTH SCHEDULE (reg. 34 (3))
CONDITIONS FOR WHICH ADVERTISING IS PROHIBITED
Alcoholism
Appendicitis
Arteriosclerosis
Cardiovascular disease
Cataract
Diabetes
Hernia
Kidney stone
Pneumonia
Prostrate gland disorders
Epilepsy
Gallstones
Gangrene
Glaucoma
Hypertension
Hypotension
Tuberculosis
HIV/Aids related diseases
FIFTH SCHEDULE (regs. 2 and 36)
PRESCRIPTION ONLY MEDICINES (POM)
Human Medicines
Acebutolol

Acetanilide
Acetazolamide
Acetohexamide
Acetylcarbromol
Acetylcysteine
Acetyldigoxin
Actinomycin-D
Acyclovir (excluding topical preparations)
Aescin, other than preparations for external use
Alclofenac
Alcuronium
Alfacalcidol
Alfadolonum
Alfaxalonum
Allopurinol
Alseroxylon
Amantadine
Amidopyrine
Amilorideaminocarproic acid
Amineptile
Amitriptyline
Amoxapine
Amoxycillin
Amphotericin
Ampicillin

Anaesthetic agents (including local anaesthetics for oral inhalation and injection excluding preparations for local use and procaine for oral use).

Anti-microbial substances (including those synthesized naturally or in the laboratory for treatment of specific infections except when used topically and for application into eye/ear).

Antimony
Apronal
Atenolol
Atracurium
Atropine
Aurothiomalate
Azacyclonal
Azapropazone
Azathioprine
Baclofen
Beclomethasone
Benactyzine
Benzatropine
Benzoctamine
Benzydamine
Betahistine
Betamethasone
Betanidine
Biperiden
Bromocrptine
Bromvaletone
Brucine

Bumadizon
Bumetanide
Bupivacaine
Buserelin
Busulfan
Butriptyline
Calcitonin
Calcium dobesilate
Cantharidates (excluding for topical use)
Cantharidin
Captodiame
Captopril
Carbamazepine
Carbenicillin
Carbidopa
Carbimazole
Carbochol
Caribromal
Carisoprodol
Ceftriaxone
Cefuroxine
Cephalosporins (all generations)
Cetirizine
Chlorambucil
Chloramphenicol

Chlorotrianisene
Chlorpromazine
Chlorpropamide
Chlorprothixene
Ciclosporin
Cilazapril
Cimetidine
Cinchophen
Cisapride
Clavulanic acid
Clfibrate
Clindamycin
Clioquinol
Clobetasol
Clofazimine
Clomifene
Clomipramine
Clonidine
Clopamide
Cloreolone
Clothiapine
Clotiapine
Clotrimazole
Cloxacillin

Chlormethiazole

Clozapine
Colestyramine
Conjugated oestrogens
Corticosteroids (excluding hydrocortisone 1 per cent)
Cortisone acetate
Cotarnine
Co-trimoxazole
Cromoglycic aid
Curate
Cyclandelate
Cyclarbamate
Cyclopentolate
Cyclofenil
Cyclopenthiazine
Cyclophosphamide
Cycrimine
Cyproterone
Cytararabine
Dacarbazine
Danazol
Dapsone (except in combination with pyrimethamine for malaria prophylaxis)
Daunorubicin
Deanol
Debrisoquine
Demecarium bromide

Desferrioxamine
Desipramine
Desmopressin acatate
Dexamethasone
Dibenzepin
Dichloralphenazone
Diethylcarbamazine
Digitalis digoxin and other cardiac glycosides
Dihydralazine
Dihydroergocristine
Diloxanide furoate
Diltiazem
Dimercaprol
Dimetotiazine
Dinoprost
Dinoprostone
Dioxyanthanol (dithranol)
Diphenidol
Diprocetyl
Dipyridamole
Dipyrocetyl
Disopyramide
Disulfiram
Diuretics
Dobutamine

Domperidone
Dopamine
Dosulepin
Doxapram
Doxazosin
Doxepin
Doxorubicin
Doxycycline
Droperidol
Dyflos
Ectylurea
Edrophonium
Emetine
Emylcamate
Enalapril
Enzymes (for injection)
Erythrityl tetranitrate
Erythromycin
Ethacrinic acid
Ethambutol
Ethchlorvynol
Ethinamate
Ethoheptazine
Ethosuximide
Etomidate

Famciclovir
Famotidine
Fenbufen
Fencamfamin
Fenfluramine
Fenlofenac
Fenoprofen
Flucloxacillin
Fluconazole
Flucytosine
Fludrocortisone
Flufenamic acid
Flumazenil
Fluocinolone
Fluorouracil
Fluoxetine
Fluphenazine
Flurbiprofen
Fluticasone
Folic acid
Folinic acid
Framycetin (other than topical)
Furazolidine
Furosemide
Fusidic acid

Gallamine
Gamolenic acid
Gelsenium
Gemfibrozil
Gentamicin
Gilibornuride
Glafenine
Glibenclamide
Griseofulvin
Guanethidine
Guanidine
Halofantrine
Halometasone
Haloperidol
Halothane
Hapatitis-B vacc
Heparin
Hexamethonium
Hexapropymate
Hormones natural or synthetic
Human chrorionic gonadotropin
Hyaluronidase
Hycanthone
Hydralazine
Hydrochlorthiazide

Hydroxyprogesterone
Hydroxyzine
Hyoscine
Imipramine
Indapamide
Indinavir
Indomethacine
Indoprofen
Insulin
Iodozuridine
Iron injectabler preparations
Isoconazole
Isoetarine
Isoflurane
Isoniazid
Isopyrine
Isosorbide
Isradipine
Ketaconazole (except topical)
Ketamine
Ketoprofen
Ketorolac
Ketotifen
Labetalol
Lamivudine

Lanatoside
Laudezium
Levallorphan
Levobunolol
Levocastine
Levodopa
Levonorgestrel
Lidoflazine
Lincomycin
Lisinopril
Lithium
Lobella
Loratidine
Loxapine
Lucanthone
Maprotiline
Mazindol
Medroxyprogesterone
Mefloquine
Meglumine
Melphalan
Mephenesin
Mephenytoin
Mephonoxalone
Mercaptopurine

Mesuximide
Metaraminol
Methamine
Methacarbamol
Methoxamine
Metformin
Methapyrilene
Methohexitone
Methofrexate
Metipranolol
Metoprol
Metrifonate
Metronidazole
Metyldopa
Metylsergide
Mexiletine
Mianserin
Milrinone
Minoxidil
Mitoxantrone
Moclobemide
Molindone
Monoamine oxidase inhibitors
Moxisylate

MersalylMesna

Mupirocin
Nadolol
Nalidixic acid
Naloxone
Natamyein
Neostigmine
Nicotine
Nifedipine
Niflumic acid
Niridazole
Nitrofurantoin
Nizatidine
Nomifensine
Norfloxacin
Nux vomica
Nystatin (for intra-oral use only)
Oestradiol
Ofloxacin
Olanzapine
Omeprazole
Orphenadrine
Oxamniquine
Oxolinic acid
Oxprenolol
Oxyphenisatin

Oxytetracycline
Oxytocin
Pancuronium
Paraldehyde
Pargyline
Pefloxacin
Penbutolol
Penciclovir
Penicillins
Penterythritol tetranitrate
Perhexiline
Phenacaine
Phenacemide
Phenacetin
Phenaglycodol
Phenbutrazate
Phenindione
Phenothiazines (except promethazine, anthelmintics)
Phensuximide
Phentolamine
Phenytoin
Physostigmine
Phytomenadione
Picrotoxin
Pimozide

Pindolol
Piracetam
Piroxicam
Pituitary gland extracts intended for topical use and inhalants
Pizotifen
Poldine
Plasma expanders
Potassium chloride (only injection)
Practolol
Pravastatin
Praziquantel
Praxosin
Prednisolone
Prednisone
Prenylamine
Primidone
Probenecid
Procaine hydrochloride
Procainamide
Procarbazine
Procaterol
Prochlorperazine
Procycline
Prolintane
Propanidid

Propofol
Propranolol
Propylthiouracil
Protamine
Prothipendyl
Protryptiline
Pyrazinamide
Pyridostigmine
Pyritinol
Quinapril
Quinethazone
Quinidine
Quinine
Ranitidine
Rauwolfia
Reserpine
Rifampicin
Ritodrine
Rosoxacin
Roxithromycin
Sabadilla
Seriraline
Sodium calcium edetate
Sodium pentosan polysulphate
Sotalol

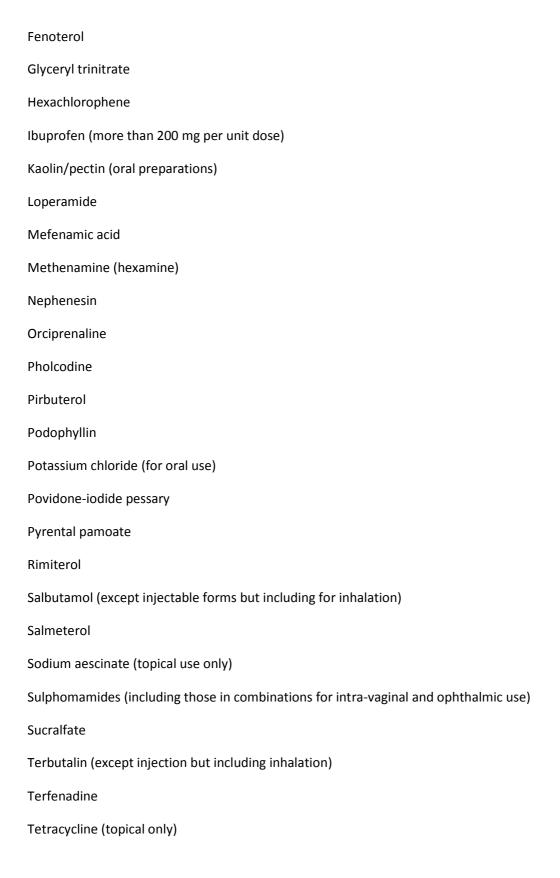
Spectinomycin
Spironolactone
Streptodornase and other similar enzymes
Streptokinase
Strophathus
Styramate
Sulfinpyrazone
Sulfiram
Sulindac
Sulphinpyrazone
Sulphonal
Sulphonamides (including combinations with other active ingredients) except in combination with pyrimethamine for treatment of malaria and for topical use and ophthalmic use.
Sulpiride
Sulthiamine
Sumatriptan
Suxamethonium
Syrosingopine
Talozamide
Talozoline
Tamoxifen
Tenoxicam
Terfenadine
Tetrabenazine
Tetracycline
Thiacetazone

Thiamphenicol
Thioguanine
Thionamide
Thiopentone
Thioridazole
Thiotepa
Thiothixine
Thymoxamine
Thyroid gland extract
Thyroxine
Tiaprofenic acid
Timolol
Tinidazole
Tolbutamide
Tolfenamic acid
Tolmetin
Tranexamic acid
Tranylcypromine
Tretamine
Tretion
Triamcinolone
Triamterene
Tribromomethyl alcohol
Trichlorethyl alcohol
Trifluperidol

Trihexyphenidyl (benzhexol)
Trimethadion
Trimethaphan
Trimethoprim
Trimipramine
Trioxsalen
Tubocurarine
Turpicamide
Vaccines, Sera and Antigenes
Valacyclovir
Valproic acid
Vancomycin
Vasopressin
Verapamil
Veratrum
Viloxazine
Vinblastine
Vincristine
Vindesine
Warfarin
Xameterol
Zidovudine
SIXTH SCHEDULE (regs. 2 and 39)
PHARMACIST INITIATED MEDICINES (PIM)

**Human Medicines** 

Acetarsol
Acyclovir (topical use only)
Alimezamine
All topical anti-fungal medicines (excluding whitfields, undecylenic acid)
All vaginal anti-fungal medicines
Astemisole
Belladonna
Bismuth suppository (in combination with steroids)
Caramiphen
Cetirizine
Chloral all salts and derivatives
Chloramphenicol (topical use)
Chlorbenoxamine
Chlormezanone
Chloroquin
Chlorphenoxamine
Cinnarizine
Codeine (less than 10 mg per unit dose)
Colchicin
Crotamiton
Cyanocobalamine (except injection)
Cyproheptadine
Diclofenac (except injectable form)
Diclofenamide
Ephedrine (containing less than 30 mg per unit dose)



Theophylline (except injectable forms) Thiabendazole Vitamin E (more than 100 mg per unit dose) Yohimbine SEVENTH SCHEDULE (regs. 2 and 39) **PHARMACY MEDICINES Human Medicines** The salts, preparations and admixtures of the following aconite aescin, preparations intended for topical use only albendazole alkali fluorides other than dentifices containing not more than 0.3 per centum of the alkali salts of hydrofluoric acid Aloxiprin Aminopentamidine Amino-alcohols, esterified with benzole acid, phenylacetic acid, phynylpropionic acid, cinnamic acid, or the derivatives of these acids, their salts, being preparations for oral use only. P-Aminobenzic acid Ammonia (see H.S.A) Amyl nitrate Anethole trithione Anthraquinones Antimirobial substances (chemotherapeutic substances) synthesized in nature or a laboratory, for use as eye ointment containing 1 per cent chloramphenicol tetracycline or oxytetracycline for use in eye infections other than eye ointments containing 1 per centum tetracycline or oxytetracycline for the use in trachoma. Anthistamine substances, the following—

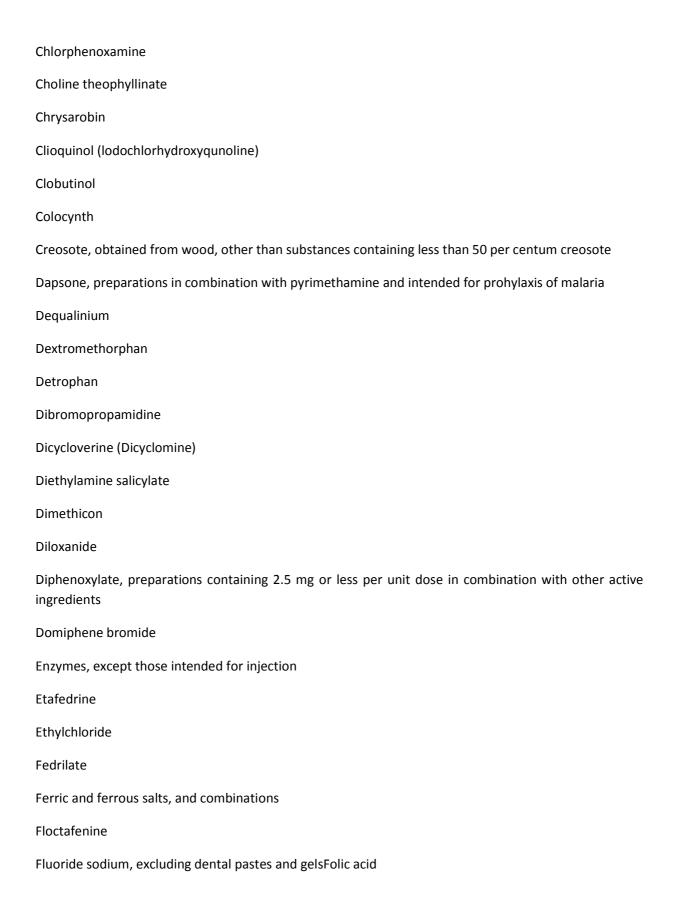
Antazoline

**Bromazine** 

Buclizine
Carbenoxolone
Calamine (topical use)
Chlorphenamine
Chlorphenoxamine, preparations containing 10 mg or less per unit dose
Clemastine
Clemizole
Cyclizine
Dexchlorpheniramine
Diphenhydramine
Diphenylphyraline
Doxylamine
Isothipendyl
Mebhydrolin
Meclozine
Phenindamine
Pheniramine
Promethazine containing 25 mg or less per unit dose
Propylenediamine
Pyrrhobutamine
Thenalidine
Topropamine
Triprolidine
Tetra substituted N derivatives of ethylenediamine or propylenediamine

Apomorphine

Atropine for oral treatment and in combination with other active ingredients
Arsenic
Barium
Belladonna and the alkaloids thereof
Bemegride
Benzyl Benzoate (topical use)
Benzoyl peroxide
Benzoic acid (topical use)
Bephenium
Bisacodyl
Bitolterol mesylate
Bismuth subgallate
Bromelains
Bromhexine
Calciferol
Camylofin
Carbocisteine
Carbuterol
Cetrimide
Cetylpyridinium chloride
Chlorbutol, except when intended for use as a preservative
Chlormezanone, preparation containing 100 mg or less in combination with an analgesic or anti-asthmatic drug
Chloroform, other than preparations containing less than 10 per centum chloroform
Chlorhexidine
Chlorphenesin



Formaldehyde, other than when used as a preservative
Gamma benzene hexachloride
Glucuronic acid
Halquinol (Chlorhydroxyquinoline) (Di-iadohydroxyqunoline)
Hexachlorophene, preparations containing less than 1 per centum hexachlorophene
Hexetidine
Hexoprenaline
Hydrochloric acid, as diluted solution for achlorhydria
Hydrotalcitelodine, iodidesIsoaminile
JalapLead, salts, other than preparations for hair containing less than 0.5 per centum of lead
Mebendazole
Mefenamic acid
Mepyramine maleate
Methxyphenamine
Myrtecaine
Naphazoline
Niclosamide
Nicotinic acid
Nitric acid (see H.S.A.)
Noscapine
Oxalic acid
Oxetacaine
Oxyphencyclimine
Oxymetazoline
Pancreatin

Pantothenic acid
Pentiyllin
Pentoxyverine
Phenazone
Phenindamine
Phenolphthalcin
Phenylephrine, other than preparations containing less than 0.2 per centum phenylephrine intended for topical use
Phenylpropanolamine
Povidone iodine, other than preparations intended for topical application
Potassium hydroxide
Promethazine, preparations containing 25 mg or less
Proguanil
Propamidine
Propantheline bromide
Pyridoxine
Pyrimethamine
Selenium
Sodium hydroxide
Stavesacre (Staphisagria) and alkaloids thereof, other than in soaps, ointments and lotions
Sulphuric acid (see H.S.A.)
Terpine hydrate
Tolazoline (intended for topical use)
Tribenoside
Trichloracetic acid

Vitamin A other than preparations containing 10 thousand units or less of Vitamin A activity per unit dose Xylometazoline Zinc Sulphate Any substance derived from any other substances referred to in any of the items in this Schedule unless expressly excluded therefrom. **EIGHTH SCHEDULE GENERAL SALES LIST MEDICINES Human Medicines** Acetylsalicylic acid (packs of less than 20 including strip or blister pack) Aluminium hydroxide Ascorbic acid (less than 500 mg per unit dose) Caffeine Camphor Chlorinated xylenol Dequalinium Hexetidine Hydroquinone (for external use only containing 2 per centum or less hydroquinone) Ipecacuana Liquid paraffin Magnesium hydroxide Magnesium sulphate Magnesium Trisilicate Menthol Methyl salicylate (in liniments only) Paracetamol (packs of less than 20 including strips or lister packs)

Piperazine
Psyllium
Sulphomanide (only in combination with pyramethamine for treatment of malaria)
NINTH SCHEDULE (reg. 2)
PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES (PS)
Bufotenine
Glutethimide
Lysergamide
Lysergide and other N-alkyle derivatives of lysergamide which includes the drug commonly known as L.S.D., but not including methyaergide maleate
Mescaline
Methaqualone
Methyprylon
Psilocin
N.N-Diethyltryptamine
N.N. Dimethyltryptamine
2,5-Demethoxy-4, a, dimethylphenthylamine
Any sterioisomerio form, ester, ether or salt of a substance prohibited and any preparation containing any proportion of the abovementioned drugs.
TENTH SCHEDULE (reg. 2)
CONTROLLED DRUGS (CD)
PART I
NARCOTICS
Acetyldihydrocodeine
Alfentanil
Cocaine

Codeine
Dextropropoxyphene
Dihydrocodeine
Diphenoxylate
Fentanyl
Hydrocodon
Methadone
Morphine
Opium
Pethidine
Pholcodine
Tilidine
PART II
PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES
Alprazolam
Bromazepam
Buprenorphine
Chlordiazepoxide
Clobazam
Clonazepam
Clorazepate
Diazepam and other compounds containing the chemical structure of dihydro-1, 4-Benzo-diazepine substituted to any degree
Dipotassium Clonazepate
Flunitrazepam
Flurazepam

Ketazolam
Lorazepam
Lormetazepam
Medazepam
Meprobamate
Methylphenidate
Midazolam
Nitrazepam
Oxazepam
Pentazocin
Pentobarbitone
Phenobarbitone
Phentermine
Prazepam
Temazepam
Triazolam