

Drug Abuse (Prevention and Control) Act

Cap. 131.

DRUG ABUSE (NOTIFICATION OF ADDICTS) REGULATIONS, 1993

1993/22.

Authority: These regulations were made on the 4th February, 1993 by the Minister under sections 24(2)(h) and (i), 34(c) and 48 of the *Drug Abuse (Prevention and Control) Act*.

Commencement: 15th March, 1993.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the *Drug Abuse (Notification of Addicts) Regulations, 1993*.

2. (1) In these regulations

"drug" means a controlled drug specified in the *First Schedule*; First Schedule.

"hospital" means a hospital or home licensed under the *Health Services (Private Hospitals and Nursing Homes) Regulations, 1969* and a government hospital or government institution. 1969/235.

(2) For the purposes of these regulations, a person shall be regarded as being addicted to a drug if, and only if, he has as a result of repeated administration become so dependent upon the drug that he has an overpowering desire for the administration of it to be continued.

3. (1) Subject to paragraph (2), any doctor who attends a person who he considers or has reasonable grounds to suspect, is addicted to any drug shall, within 7 days of the attendance, furnish in writing to the Chief Medical Officer on the form set out in the *Second Schedule* the following particulars with respect to that person as are known to the doctor, that is to say, the parish address, gender, date of birth of that person, the date of the attendance and the name of the drug or drugs concerned. Second Schedule.

(2) It shall not be necessary for a doctor who attends a person to comply with the provisions of paragraph (1) in respect of that person if

- (a) the doctor is of the opinion, formed in good faith, that the continued administration of the drug or drugs concerned is required for the purpose of treating organic disease or injury; or
- (b) the particulars which, apart from this paragraph, would have been required under those provisions to be furnished have, during the period of 12 months ending with the date of the attendance, been furnished in compliance with those provisions
 - (i) by the doctor, or
 - (ii) if the doctor is a partner in or employed by a firm of general practitioners, by a doctor who is a partner in or employed by that firm, or
 - (iii) if the attendance is on behalf of another doctor, whether for payment or otherwise, by that doctor, or
 - (iv) if the attendance is at a hospital, by a doctor on the staff of that hospital.

4. These regulations and, in relation only to the requirements of these regulations, sections 27(1) and (3), 28, 29 and 37 of and the *Fourth Schedule* to the *Drug Abuse (Prevention and Control) Act*, (which relate to their enforcement) shall apply to servants and agents of the Crown.

FIRST SCHEDULE

(Regulation 2(1))

Controlled Drugs to which these regulations apply

1. The following substances and products, namely

Cannabis	Hydrocodone	Opium
Cocaine	Hydromorphone	Oxycodone
Dextromoramide	Levorphanol	Pethidine
Diamorphine	Methadone	Phenazocine
Dipipanone	Morphine	Pintramide

2. Any stereoisomeric form of a substance specified in paragraph 1 above, not being dextrorphan.

3. Any ester or ether of a substance specified in paragraph 1 or 2 above not being a substance for the time being specified in the First Schedule to the *Drug Abuse (Prevention and Control) Regulations, 1993*.

4. Any salt of a substance specified in any of paragraphs 1 to 3 above.

5. Any preparation or other product containing a substance or product specified in any of paragraphs 1 to 4 above.

SECOND SCHEDULE

(Regulation 3(1))

FORM OF NOTIFICATION OF ADDICTS

To: The Chief Medical Officer

(Particulars to be supplied by doctor attending a person whom he considers or reasonably suspects to be addicted to certain drugs pursuant to the *Drug Abuse (Notification of Addicts) Regulations, 1993.*)

Date of attendance	Parish address	Gender	Date of birth of patient	Name of the drug or drugs concerned
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Signed

Date