

LAWS AND REGULATIONS

PROMULGATED TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL TREATIES ON NARCOTIC DRUGS

ETHIOPIA

Communicated by the Government of Ethiopia

NOTE BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL - In accordance with the relevant Articles of the International Treaties on Narcotic Drugs, the Secretary-General has the honour to communicate the following legislative text.

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Regulations issued pursuant to the Medical Practitioners Registration Proclamation, 1948

CHAPTER I - GENERAL

1. Authority

These Regulations are issued by the Minister of Public Health pursuant to authority vested in him by Article 14 of the Medical Practitioners Registration Proclamation, 1948 (Proclamation No. 100 of 1948) (hereinafter referred to as the "Proclamation").

2. Short Title

These Regulations may be cited as the "Pharmacy Regulations, 1964". $\underline{1}$

34. Dispensing of Narcotics

- (1) No Pharmacy shall dispense a medicinal preparation containing a narcotic, other than those preparations containing small amounts of narcotics which are authorized to be sold without a prescription under the International Narcotics Conventions, except according to a prescription.
- (2) No prescription for or including any narcotic shall be met which does not fulfil the following requirements:
 - (a) it shall have been legibly written and signed by a medical practitioner whose name and address shall also be legibly entered on the prescription;
 - (b) it shall bear the name, age and address of the patient; and
 - (c) it shall bear the date of prescribing, the strength and quality of the medicaments prescribed and clear directions for use.
- (3) A separate prescription must be presented on each occasion on which a medicinal preparation containing a narcotic is requested.
- 1/ Note by the Secretariat: Only the sections relevant to narcotic drugs are reproduced.

(4) All prescriptions for narcotics shall be retained in a separate file for not less than five (5) years and shall be properly numbered, dated and marked for identification. No copy of any such prescription shall be made.

35. Purchases and Records of Narcotics

- (1) No pharmacy shall obtain narcotics from any source other than the Ethiopian Government Medical Supply Department. *
- (2) Every pharmacy shall keep a record of all narcotics taken into stock and retain all invoices for narcotics in a chronological file for not less than five (5) years.

36. Storage of Narcotics

All narcotics shall be stored in a strong locked metal container, the key to which shall at all times remain in the possession of a pharmacist.

37. Inventory of Narcotics

All pharmacies shall, on forms provided by the Ministry, submit to the Ministry an inventory of narcotics in their possession at intervals set by the Ministry.

38. Disposal of Narcotics on Cessation of Business

Whenever a pharmacy ceases to operate as a business, disposal of all records and files relating to narcotics and all stocks of narcotics shall be made in accordance with the directions of the Ministry.

^{*} At present the Central Medical Stores Corporation.