

LAWS AND REGULATIONS

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

HONG KONG

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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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I assent.

D.C.C. TRENCH Governor

25th February, 1965

An Ordinance to amend the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance.

(26th February, 1965)

Be it enacted by the Governor of Hong Kong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

- 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Dangerous Drugs (Amendment) Ordinance 1965.
- (1935)
 2. The Dangerous Drugs Ordinance is amended by the addition, after section 17, of the following new section:

"Withdrawal of authority to possess, etc. dangerous drugs.

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17A. (1) Whenever the Director is of the opinion that it is in the public interest so to do, he may, subject to the provisions of this section, by order withdraw any authority granted at any time by or under any regulation to any person to be in possession of or to supply, administer or prescribe any dangerous drug:

Provided that

(a) no such order shall have effect until the same is published in the Gazette; and

Short title.

Addition of new section 17A. (Cap. 134).

- (b) no such order shall be published in the Gazette until the expiration of fourteen days after a copy of the order has been served upon such person together with a statement in writing of the grounds upon which the Director has made the order and an expression of his intention to publish the order.
- (2) Withdrawal of any authority pursuant to the provisions of subsection (1) may be effected wholly or in part or may be effected subject to suspension upon condition and may be effected in relation to dangerous drugs generally or to any particular such drug or class of drugs and may be effected without limitation as to time or for a specified period.
- (3) Any person who considers that he will be aggrieved by withdrawal of the authority referred to in subsection (1) may, before the expiration of fourteen days after the service upon him of the copy of the order to that effect referred to in that subsection, appeal by way of petition to the Governor in Council.
- (4) A petition under subsection (3) shall be lodged at the offices of the Clerk of Councils within the period prescribed in that subsection, and the Clerk of Councils shall thereupon take steps to ensure that the order be not published in the Gazette until the determination or abandonment of the appeal.
- (5) Upon consideration of any appeal lodged pursuant to the provisions of subsection (4), the Governor in Council may affirm, vary or reverse the order; and the decision of the Governor in Council thereon shall be final.
- (6) Where any authority has been withdrawn pursuant to the provisions of this section, the Director may, upon application, at any time restore the authority, or suspend the withdrawal thereof, by publication in the Gazette of a further order to that effect, and in the event of the Director refusing the application, the applicant may appeal by way of petition to the Governor in Council and the Governor in Council may deal with the appeal in the manner provided by subsection (5):

Provided that where any authority has been withdrawn without limitation as to time or for any period specified to be in excess of one year no application for the restoration thereof or for the suspension of the withdrawal, as the case may be, shall be entertained within six months after the withdrawal was effected.".

3. Regulation 15 of the Dangerous Drugs Regulations, is revoked.

Revocation of regulation 15 of the Dangerous Drugs Regulations. (Vol. X, p. 31).

Amendment of regulation 16 of the Dangerous Drugs Regulations. (Vol. X, p. 31).

- 4. Regulation 16 of the Dangerous Drugs Regulations is amended
 - (a) by the deletion of the words and figures "regulations 14 and 15" and the substitution therefor of the following:

"regulation 14"; and

(b) by the insertion, after the words "dentist or veterinary surgeon", of the following:

"or if an order has been published in the Gazette pursuant to the provisions of section 17A of the Ordinance withdrawing authority for such medical practitioner, dental surgeon or veterinary surgeon, as the case may be, to prescribe any of the drugs.".