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LAWS AND REGULATIONS

PROMULGATED TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF
THE CONVENTION OF 13 JULY 1931 FOR LIMITING
THE MANUFACTURE AND REGULATING THE DISTRIBUTION
OF NARCOTIC DRUGS
AS AMENDED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 11 DECEMBER 1946

MEXICO

COMMUNICATED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF
MEXICO

Lake Success,
New York, 1950

Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with Article 21 of the Convention of 13 July 1931 for Limiting the Manufacture and Regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs, as amended by the Protocol of 11 December 1946, the Secretary-General has the honour to communicate hereafter the text of a regulation.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELFARE
GENERAL HEALTH OFFICE
DEPARTMENT FOR THE SUPERVISION OF MEDICINES

PROVISIONS RELATING TO QUANTITIES OF NARCOTIC DRUGS TO BE PRESCRIBED AND
DISPENSED BY DOCTORS ETC., PHARMACISTS, DRUGGISTS ETC.
IN ACCORDANCE WITH CIRCULAR 4 OF 25 OCTOBER 1937 AND IN
ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLES 262, 270 AND OTHER RELEVANT ARTICLES OF
THE SANITARY CODE OF THE UNITED STATES OF MEXICO

Persons qualified in accordance with Article 270 of the Sanitary Code of the United States of Mexico, may not prescribe narcotic drugs in quantities larger than those indicated below, the maximum dose for 24 (twenty-four) hours being the following:

Morphine and its salts, by mouth	0.05 grammes
Morphine and its salts, by injection	0.02 grammes
Codeine and its salts	0.15 grammes
Dionine, by mouth	0.10 grammes
Dionine, by injection	0.02 grammes
Medicinal opium, by mouth	0.20 grammes
Dower's powder	2.00 grammes
Sydenham's Laudanum	5.00 cm.3
Tincture of opium	5.00 cm.3
Paregoric elixir	50.00 cm.3
Cocaine and its salts, by mouth	0.05 grammes
Cocaine and its salts, by injection	0.15 grammes
Cocaine and its salts, for external use	0.20 grammes
Mixture or solution of bonain	10.00 grammes
Extract of opium, by mouth	0.10 grammes

FIRST: For use by injection, only the quantity for 24 (twenty-four) hours of those containing derivatives of opium (except codeine and dionine) or coca and its salts may be ordered in one prescription. For use by mouth, the same narcotic drugs may be ordered in quantities for up to 72 hours in one prescription, provided it is so indicated in the prescription.

SECOND: Pharmaceutical preparations with a base of opium or coca (tinctures) etc. and dionine and codeine and their salts may be ordered for a treatment of up to five days in one prescription, provided it is so indicated in the prescription.

THIRD: The use of the special prescription forms provided by the Ministry of Health and Welfare in accordance with Article 275 of the Sanitary Code of the United States of Mexico to prescribe narcotic drugs for the same patient in the form of injection for more than fifteen (15) consecutive days is strictly forbidden, (as is also the prescription of morphine salts for 72 hours). If that method of treatment is used for more than the time indicated special permission must be requested in writing stating:

1. The name and address of the patient.

2. The diagnosis.
3. The total quantity requested.
4. The quantity which it is desired to inject or administer daily.

FOURTH: If permission was previously obtained for the same purpose, the new request must be accompanied by a detailed statement of the quantities used daily.

FIFTH: Doctors who obtain permission to use narcotic drugs in the treatment of patients must keep a book authorized by this Ministry in accordance with the model laid down by the Regulations of 2 March 1920, in which they shall note the movement of the narcotic drugs used in such cases.

SIXTH: The owners, assistants, proprietors or employees of pharmacies, druggists shops etc., shall refrain from dispensing prescriptions which exceed the quantities indicated, in accordance with the provisions of Article 271 of the Sanitary Code of the United States of Mexico.

SEVENTH: THE PRESCRIPTION AND SUPPLY OF NARCOTIC DRUGS IN THE NATURAL STATE OR IN POWDER, AS WELL AS IN DISTILLED WATER, IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN. THE DISPENSING OF PRESCRIPTIONS WHICH DO NOT BEAR THE SIGNATURE OF THE DOCTOR PRESCRIBING THEM IS ALSO STRICTLY FORBIDDEN.

EIGHTH: Banain mixture, up to 10 grammes of which may be dispensed against one prescription, is included in the regulations laid down for the prescription of narcotic drugs.

NINTH: The preparation and provision of ampoules and tablets of patent medicines, shall be subject to the following restrictions per prescription and per 24 (twenty-four) hours:

TABLETS

APHALGINA	500 mg.
DEMEROL	500 mg.
DICODID	50 mg.
DOLANTINA	500 mg.
DOLANTOL	500 mg.
DOLAREN	500 mg.
DILAUDID	25 mg.
ENDO-HYCODAN	50 mg.
EUCODAL MERCK	50 mg.
PANTOPON ROCHE	100 mg.
PEROSEDOL TEPAPLIX BUISSON MAX ABBAT (Morphine Hydrochlorate 6 mg. and Escopolamina)	72 mg.
PETIDINA	500 mg.
PAVOPIN SMITH	100 mg.
SPASMALGINA ROCHE	10 mg.
AMIDOSAN AND SIMILAR DRUGS BY MOUTH	50 mg.

AMPOULES

AMIDON	10 mg.
AMIDONE	10 mg.
AMIDOSAN	10 mg.
APHALGINA	100 mg.
CALMOL	20 mg.
DEMEROL	100 mg.
DICODIDA KNOLL MERCK (dihydrocodeinona)	4 mg.
DILAUDIDA KNOLL (Dihydromorphinona)	4 mg.
DOLANTINA	100 mg.
DOLANTOL	100 mg.
DOLAREH	100 mg.

EGOSSEDIN EGOSAN	30 mg.
ESCOFEDAL MERCK (EUCODAL 9.91 and ESCOPOLAMINA)	20 mg.
EUCODAL MERCK OF 0.01 (Dihydrocodeinona)	20 mg.
EUCODAL MERCK OF 0.02	20 mg.
HIDRO CODAL CEFA OF 0.01 (Dihydroxicodeinona)	20 mg.
HIDRO CODAL CEFA OF 0.02 (Hydroxicodeinona)	20 mg.
ISOPON	100 mg.
METADON	10 mg.
NARCOTYL (Limousin)	18 mg.
PANTOPON ROCHE	40 mg.
PAVEDON CEFA (Total alkaloids of opium)	40 mg.
PAVOPIN SMITH (Total alkaloids of opium)	40 mg.
REOPONI. Q.F. (Total alkaloids of opium)	40 mg.
SEDALOL U.M.M.	20 mg.
SEDANTE BREMER	18 mg.
SEDANTINA CODEK	24 mg.
SEDEOL GRAY	20 mg.
SEDOL TERAPLIX	18 mg.
SEDOLIN CODEX	18 mg.
SEDOPHON OPFA	18 mg.
SPASEDOL TERAPLIX	8 mg.
SPASMALGINA (Total alkaloids of opium) (Papaverina and Atropina) (ROCHE)	20 mg.

In the case of other narcotic drugs not included in the above list the maximum quantity of the product in question may only be prescribed and dispensed for 24 (twenty-four) hours, when it is to be administered by injection: for those prescribed for administration by mouth, the maximum quantity for prescription and dispensing shall be for 72 (seventy-two) hours.

THIS LIST CANCELS ALL PREVIOUS LISTS
Mexico, D.F., 25 February 1950.
DUE ELECTION. NO RE-ELECTION.
THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT.