

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 2 of 1963

A recent amendment to the Poisons and Dangerous Drugs Ordinance of the A.C.T. has widened the range of substances, sale of which may be restricted to persons presenting a doctor's or veterinary surgeon's prescription.

As a consequence it has become necessary to amend the Poisons Regulations –

- (a) to define “restricted substance”,
- (b) to apply to prescriptions for the supply of biological preparations and restricted substances the same conditions as already apply to prescriptions for narcotic drugs, and
- (c) to apply to biological preparations and restricted substances, dispensing conditions substantially similar to those already applying to narcotic drugs.

At the same time the conditions applying to the dispensing of narcotic drugs are being amended to prohibit the dispensing of prescriptions which appear to have been written more than six months before presentation.