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## **POISONS AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 2025**

I, the Governor in and over the State of Tasmania and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, make the following regulations under the *Poisons Act 1971*.

Dated 3 March 2025.

**B. BAKER**  
Governor

By Her Excellency's Command,

**R. C. JAENSCH**  
Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing

### **1. Short title**

These regulations may be cited as the *Poisons Amendment Regulations 2025*.

### **2. Commencement**

These regulations take effect on the day on which their making is notified in the *Gazette*.

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**3. Principal Regulations**

In these regulations, the *Poisons Regulations 2018\** are referred to as the Principal Regulations.

**4. Regulation 3 amended (Interpretation)**

Regulation 3(1) of the Principal Regulations is amended by inserting after the definition of *day book* the following definition:

*day-procedure centre* has the same meaning as in the *Health Service Establishments Act 2006*;

**5. Regulation 10 amended (Prescribed substances for certain first-aid services)**

Regulation 10 of the Principal Regulations is amended as follows:

- (a) by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph (a):
  - (ab) glyceryl trinitrate (S3);
- (b) by omitting paragraph (e) and substituting the following paragraphs:
  - (e) salbutamol (S3);
  - (f) salbutamol (S4).

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\*S.R. 2018, No. 79

**6. Regulation 24 amended (Prescription for certain narcotic substances to be issued only on authority of Secretary)**

Regulation 24 of the Principal Regulations is amended by inserting “or nurse practitioner” after “practitioner”.

**7. Regulation 26 amended (Minister’s authorisation for possession and supply of narcotic substance)**

Regulation 26 of the Principal Regulations is amended by omitting paragraph (d) and substituting the following paragraphs:

- (d) where the registered nurse or midwife –
  - (i) is in charge of a day-treatment centre or day-procedure centre approved by the Secretary; and
  - (ii) is administering or supplying a narcotic substance –
    - (A) in respect of a patient in the centre; and
    - (B) in accordance with the instructions of a medical practitioner or an authorised nurse practitioner;

- (da) where the registered nurse or midwife –

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- (i) is employed in a day-treatment centre or day-procedure centre approved by the Secretary; and
- (ii) is administering or supplying a narcotic substance –
  - (A) in respect of a patient in the centre; and
  - (B) under the supervision of the registered nurse or midwife that is in charge of the centre; and
  - (C) in accordance with the instructions of a medical practitioner or an authorised nurse practitioner;

**8. Regulation 54A amended (Administration of certain vaccines)**

Regulation 54A(2) of the Principal Regulations is amended as follows:

- (a) by omitting from paragraph (a) “Director of Public Health” and substituting “Secretary”;
- (b) by omitting from paragraph (b)(i) “Director of Public Health” and substituting “Secretary”;

- (c) by omitting from paragraph (b)(ii) “Director of Public Health” and substituting “Secretary”;
- (d) by omitting from paragraph (c) “Director of Public Health” and substituting “Secretary”.

**9. Regulation 68 amended (Minister’s authorisation for possession and supply of restricted substance)**

Regulation 68 of the Principal Regulations is amended by omitting paragraph (d) and substituting the following paragraphs:

- (d) where the registered nurse or midwife –
  - (i) is in charge of a day-treatment centre or day-procedure centre approved by the Secretary; and
  - (ii) is administering or supplying a restricted substance –
    - (A) in respect of a patient in the centre; and
    - (B) in accordance with the instructions of a medical practitioner or an authorised nurse practitioner;
- (daa) where the registered nurse or midwife –

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- (i) is employed in a day-treatment centre or day-procedure centre approved by the Secretary; and
- (ii) is administering or supplying a restricted substance –
  - (A) in respect of a patient in the centre; and
  - (B) under the supervision of the registered nurse or midwife that is in charge of the centre; and
  - (C) in accordance with the instructions of a medical practitioner or an authorised nurse practitioner;

**10. Regulation 82 amended (Prescribed persons for section 38(1)(i) of Act)**

Regulation 82 of the Principal Regulations is amended as follows:

- (a) by inserting the following subregulation before subregulation (1):

(1AA) In this regulation –

***vaccination program*** means a program of vaccination that is determined by the Secretary.



- (b) by omitting from subregulation (1)(c) “approved by the Director of Public Health”;
- (c) by omitting from subregulation (1)(d) “approved by the Director of Public Health”;
- (d) by omitting from subregulation (1)(e) “approved by the Director of Public Health”;
- (e) by omitting from subregulation (1)(f) “approved by the Director of Public Health”.

**11. Regulation 91 amended (Authorisation to manufacture, &c., certain dangerous poisons)**

Regulation 91(1) of the Principal Regulations is amended by omitting the definition of *prescribed dangerous poison* and substituting the following definition:

*prescribed dangerous poison* means a poison listed in Appendix J of the Uniform Standard;

**12. Regulation 95DA inserted**

After regulation 95D of the Principal Regulations, the following regulation is inserted in Part 4A:

**95DA. Prescribed purposes of monitored medicines database**

For the purposes of section 38B(2)(h) of the Act, the following purposes are prescribed as purposes of the monitored medicines database:

- (a) to facilitate participation in, and access to, information within the national system of real time prescription monitoring for certain medicines known as the National Real Time Prescription Monitoring system;
- (b) to facilitate the administration and exchange of, and access to, data and information necessary to establish and maintain that national system;
- (c) to promote improved health outcomes for the people of Tasmania.

**13. Regulation 95F amended (Prescribed information provided to, or collected and stored in, the monitored medicines database)**

Regulation 95F of the Principal Regulations is amended by inserting after paragraph (b) the following paragraph:

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- (ba) information that is incidental to the database or a database for monitored medicines of another State or Territory;

**14. Regulation 124 amended (Reporting of acquisition and disposal of relevant substances)**

Regulation 124(1) of the Principal Regulations is amended by omitting paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) from the definition of *specified person*.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the regulations)*

These regulations amend the *Poisons Regulations 2018* by –

- (a) prescribing additional substances for the purposes of the definition of prescribed substance in the *Poisons Act 1971*; and
- (b) authorising nurse practitioners to issue a prescription for, or supply to a patient, certain narcotic substances; and
- (c) prescribing additional purposes of the real time prescription monitoring system; and
- (d) amending certain requirements with respect to the administration of certain vaccines; and
- (e) effecting minor statute law revision.