



Misuse of Drugs (Pseudoephedrine) Amendment Act 2024

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Commencement see section 2

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The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

- 1 Title**
This Act is the Misuse of Drugs (Pseudoephedrine) Amendment Act 2024.
- 2 Commencement**
This Act comes into force on the day after Royal assent.

3 Principal Act

This Act amends the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975.

Part 1 Amendments to principal Act

4 Schedule 2 amended

- (1) In Schedule 2, Part 2, clause 1, delete “**Pseudoephedrine**”.
- (2) In Schedule 2, Part 2, clause 2, after “designation”, insert “, except pseudoephedrine”.

5 Schedule 3 amended

- (1) In Schedule 3, Part 3, clause 1, insert in its appropriate alphabetical order:
Pseudoephedrine
- (2) In Schedule 3, Part 3, clause 2, after “designation”, insert “, except ephedrine”.

Part 2 Amendments to Misuse of Drugs Regulations 1977

6 Principal regulations

This Part amends the Misuse of Drugs Regulations 1977.

7 Regulation 2 amended (Interpretation)

In regulation 2(1), replace the definition of **partially exempted drug** with:
partially exempted drug means a controlled drug that is for the time being named or described in clauses 1 to 5 of Part 3 of Schedule 3 of the Act

8 Regulation 20 amended (Supply and administration of controlled drugs without prescription)

- (1) In regulation 20(2)(a), delete “, subject to subclause (3)”.
- (2) Revoke regulation 20(3).

9 Regulation 28 amended (Custody of controlled drugs)

Replace regulation 28(4)(e) with:

- (e) pseudoephedrine:

Legislative history

20 February 2024	Introduction (Bill 21–1), first reading and referral to Health Committee
13 March 2024	Reported from Health Committee
19 March 2024	Second reading
27 March 2024	Committee of the whole House
9 April 2024	Third reading
11 April 2024	Royal assent

This Act is administered by the Ministry of Health.