



Medicines Act 1968

1968 CHAPTER 67

An Act to make new provision with respect to medicinal products and related matters,
and for purposes connected therewith. [25th October 1968]

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** References to Ministers of Northern Ireland to be construed as references to heads of Northern Ireland departments: [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\)](#), [Sch. 5 para. 7](#)
- C2** Functions of Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland transferred to Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504, [art. 5](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. I](#)
- C3** Functions exercisable by Ministers jointly under this Act (except s. 108(4)(7) now exercisable by those Ministers and Secretary of State for Wales jointly: [S.I. 1978/272](#), [art. 2\(3\)](#), [Sch. 1](#); references to Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food amended (W.): *ibid.*, [art. 11\(6\)](#)
- C4** Act restricted by [S.I. 1985/273](#), [reg. 3\(3\)](#)
- C5** Act amended (N.I.) (1.4.1992) by [S.I. 1991/194 \(N.I. 1\)](#), [art. 7\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 para. 5\(1\)](#); S.R. 1991/131, [art. 2\(e\)](#), [Sch. Pt. III](#)
- C6** Certain provisions of the Act extended and modified (14.2.1994) by [S.I. 1994/105](#), [reg. 19](#), [Sch. 4](#)
- C7** Act excluded in part (6.5.1998) by [S.I. 1998/1046](#), [reg. 43](#)
Act excluded in part (6.5.1998) by [S.I. 1998/1047](#), [reg. 74](#)
Act excluded in part (2.8.1999) by [S.I. 1999/1871](#), [reg. 92\(1\)](#)
- C8** Act: functions transferred (27.12.1999) by [S.I. 1999/3142](#), [art. 2\(1\)\(2\)](#) (with [art. 4](#))
Act: functions transferred (27.3.2002) by [S.I. 2002/794](#), [art. 3\(1\)\(c\)\(2\)\(7\)](#) (with [art. 6](#))
- C9** Act excluded (30.10.2005) by [The Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2005 \(S.I. 2005/2745\)](#), [reg. 44\(1\)](#)
- C10** Act amendment to earlier affecting provision SI 1994/3144 [reg. 10 Sch. 4 para. 10\(b\)](#) (1.10.2006) by [The Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2006 \(S.I. 2006/2407\)](#), [reg. 1](#), [Sch. 8 para. 11\(b\)](#) (with [regs. 2\(4\), 3](#))
- C11** Act amendment to earlier affecting provision SI 1994/3144 [reg. 10 Sch. 4 para. 9\(b\)](#) (1.10.2006) by [The Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2006 \(S.I. 2006/2407\)](#), [reg. 1](#), [Sch. 8 para. 11\(a\)](#) (with [regs. 2\(4\), 3](#))

Changes to legislation:

Medicines Act 1968, Introductory Text is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 17 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 69(1A)(1B) added (prosp.) by [1997 c. 19 s. 1Sch. para. 5\(b\)](#)
- s. 84B inserted by [S.I. 2016/372 art. 12](#)