

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE AND  
SWAZILAND.

HIGH COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE

No. 20 of 1945.

CONTROL OF QUININE, QUININE SALTS,  
QUININE PREPARATIONS AND SYNTHETIC  
SUBSTITUTES FOR QUININE.

It is hereby notified for general information that, under and by virtue of the powers vested in him by section *one* of the Bechuanaland Protectorate Emergency Powers (Defence) Proclamation, 1939 (No. 36 of 1939), and section *one* of the Swaziland Emergency Powers (Defence) Proclamation, 1939 (No. 37 of 1939), respectively, His Excellency the High Commissioner has been pleased to make the following regulations for the control of quinine, quinine salts, quinine preparations and synthetic substitutes for quinine in the Bechuanaland Protectorate and Swaziland:—

1. In these regulations—

“ Controller ” means the Deputy Director of Medical Services;

“ authorised officer ” means an officer authorised by the Controller to act on his behalf;

“ dealer ” means any person whose business or part of whose business it is to buy and sell quinine as defined herein, and includes a manufacturer of quinine preparations and synthetic substitutes for quinine;

“ quinine ” means the principal alkaloid derived from the various species of cinchona and includes all salts thereof, quinine preparations, quindine, cinchonine, and other material or substance consisting of or containing quinine and any synthetic substitute for quinine.

2. High Commissioner's Notice No. 309 of 1942 is hereby cancelled.

3. No person shall sell, supply or otherwise dispose of, acquire or use cinchonine for medicinal purposes.

4. (1) No person shall use quinine in the manufacture of any drug, medicine, article or preparation of whatever nature except upon the authority of and subject to the conditions set forth in a permit issued by the Controller or his authorised officer.

(2) Every application for a permit in terms of sub-regulation (1) of this regulation shall be made in writing to the Controller and shall give the following information which the applicant shall certify as true and correct:—

- (a) Name and address of applicant;
- (b) quinine preparation to be manufactured;
- (c) quantity of quinine salt or synthetic substitute to be used (state six months' requirements).

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5. (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-regulations (3) and (4) of this regulation, no person shall sell or dispose of quinine except upon the authority of and subject to the conditions set forth in a permit issued by the Controller or his authorised officer.

(2) Every application for a permit in terms of sub-regulation (1) of this regulation shall be made in writing to the Controller and shall give the following information which the applicant shall certify as true and correct:—

(a) Name and address of applicant;

(b) purpose for which quinine is intended to be used;

(c) quantity and kind of quinine salt or synthetic substitute required.

(3) No dealer shall sell or otherwise dispose of quinine to any person other than a dealer except for use in the treatment of malaria. Such sale or disposal shall be made only upon the surrender to the supplier of a certificate issued by a registered medical practitioner or an administrative officer, which certificate shall be signed by the issuer thereof who shall state the capacity in which he signs and shall—

(i) indicate the quantity of quinine to be supplied, and

(ii) certify that, so far as he is able to ascertain, the use of the quinine is for the treatment of malaria.

(4) No person shall sell or otherwise dispose of quinidine to any person other than a dealer except for the treatment of cardiac arrhythmia and only upon the surrender to the supplier of a certificate issued by a registered medical practitioner, which certificate shall be signed by the issuer thereof who shall—

(i) indicate thereon the quantity of quinidine to be supplied, and

(ii) certify that the quinidine to be supplied is for the treatment of cardiac arrhythmia.

6. Any dealer who desires to replace stocks of quinine disposed of by him in terms of sub-regulations (3) and (4) of regulation 5 of these regulations may apply to the Controller on the 1st January, 1st April, 1st July and 1st October in each year for a permit authorising him to acquire quinine. Every such application shall be in writing and shall give the following information which the applicant shall certify as true and correct:—

(a) Stock on hand as at date of application, detailing each quinine salt, quinine preparation and synthetic substitute for quinine separately;

(b) disposals during the immediately preceding quarter, detailing each quinine salt, quinine preparation and synthetic substitute for quinine separately.

The applicant shall attach to each application all certificates surrendered to him during the preceding quarter in terms of sub-regulations (3) and (4) of regulation 5 of these regulations. No application will be considered in respect of any quarter unless it is received by the Controller not later than the 30th day of the month immediately following such quarter.

7. Every dealer shall render to the Controller not later than the 9th day of March, 1945, and the 31st day of July, 1945, a return showing such dealer's stock of quinine as at 31st December, 1944, and 30th June, 1945, respectively, giving separate details in regard to each quinine salt, quinine preparation and synthetic substitute for quinine, and shall thereafter render to the Controller not later than the 31st day of January and the 31st day of July in each succeeding year a similar return in respect of the stock position as at the preceding 31st December and 30th June respectively.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.—Since world stocks of quinine and its salts, cinchona and cinchonine are seriously in short supply, it has become necessary to limit the use of quinine and its salts and cinchona for the treatment of malaria only, and the use of quinidine for the treatment of cardiac arrhythmia only.

By Command of His Excellency  
the High Commissioner.

H. E. PRIESTMAN,  
Administrative Secretary.

High Commissioner's Office,  
Cape Town, 10th February, 1945.