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Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981

NOTICE REGARDING THE AMENDMENT, COMMENCEMENT AND AVAILABILITY OF THE POISONS CODE

I, Daniel Andrews, Minister for Health, give notice that the Poisons Code, prepared under sections 12 and 12E of the **Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981** (the Act), will be amended.

The Act enables the Poisons Code to contain in the Poisons List (a) a list of Schedule 1 poisons, (b) a list of any of the substances in Schedule 1 of the Poisons List or Schedules 2 to 9 of the Commonwealth standard or the Appendices to the Commonwealth standard that are not for general sale by retail, and (c) a list of exemptions from Schedule 1 of the Poisons List or Schedules 2 to 9 of the Commonwealth standard.

The amendment is needed to the current Poisons Code, in Chapter 1 Part 3 – Exemptions, to ensure consistency in intention between substances exempted from the Poisons Code and those exempted from the Commonwealth standard.

New entry

- 1.3 A substance is not included in a Schedule of the Commonwealth standard in the circumstances described in items (h), (i), (j) and (k) of paragraph 1(2) of Part 1 and Appendices A and G of Part 5 of the Commonwealth standard as in force from time to time.

The date of effect for the amendment is 13 February 2009.

The Poisons Code may be inspected free of charge during normal business hours at the offices or Library of the Department of Human Services situated at 50 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne 3000, or can be obtained directly from the Department of Human Services. Contact the Duty Officer on phone 1300 364 545. The Poisons Code is also published on the Department of Human Services website www.health.vic.gov.au/dpu

Dated 4 March 2009

HON DANIEL ANDREWS MP
Minister for Health

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