



New South Wales

Health Professionals (Special Events Exemption) Regulation 1998

under the

Health Professionals (Special Events Exemption) Act 1997

His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Health Professionals (Special Events Exemption) Act 1997*.

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Explanatory note

The *Health Professionals (Special Events Exemption) Act 1997* authorises visiting health professionals to provide health care services to visitors in New South Wales, in connection with certain special events, without being registered under any New South Wales law relating to the registration of health professionals. The Act allows visiting health professionals to possess or supply any substance in the course of providing services ordinarily provided by medical practitioners, nurses, dentists and other health professionals, so long as the provision of that service is authorised under the Act.

The object of this Regulation is to make it clear that visiting health professionals are not authorised to possess or supply substances that cannot be possessed or supplied by local health professionals under the *Drug Misuse and Trafficking Act 1985* or the *Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 1966*. The Regulation makes it a condition of the exemption given to visiting health professionals that they do not possess or supply such substances. Under section 8 of the Act, visiting health professionals are authorised to provide health care services under the Act only while they are complying with such conditions.

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Explanatory note

The Regulation comprises matters of a machinery nature.

This Regulation is made under the *Health Professionals (Special Events Exemption) Act 1997*, including section 9 (Conditions on practice by visiting health professionals) and section 15 (the general regulation making power).

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Health Professionals (Special Events Exemption) Regulation 1998*.

2 Commencement

This Regulation commences on 25 March 1998.

3 Definition

In this Regulation:

the Act means the *Health Professionals (Special Events Exemption) Act 1997*.

4 Notes

The explanatory note, table of contents and notes in the text of this Regulation do not form part of this Regulation.

5 Exemption condition—possessor or supply of illegal substances

- (1) The object of this clause is to impose a condition, pursuant to section 9 of the Act, on the provision of health care services by a visiting health professional.
- (2) A visiting health professional must not, in the course of providing health care services, possess or supply any substance that cannot be possessed or supplied by any local health professional under the *Drug Misuse and Trafficking Act 1985* or the *Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 1966*.
- (3) A *local health professional* is a person who is registered under a Health Registration Act and is not a visiting health professional.

Note. Section 9 of the Act allows the regulations to make provision for or with respect to conditions to be imposed on the provision of health care services by visiting health professionals. A visiting health professional is authorised to provide health care services under the Act only while the visiting health professional is complying with the conditions of that authorisation (see section 8 of the Act).