

Notes

1. This is a compilation of the *Misuse of Drugs Act 1981* and includes the amendments effected by the other Acts referred to in Part I of the following Table and by the Orders in Council referred to in Part II of the following Table.

Table of Acts and Orders in Council

PART I — ACTS

Act	Number and Year	Assent	Commencement	Miscellaneous
<i>Misuse of Drugs Act 1981</i>	66 of 1981	23 October 1981	1 September 1982 (see <i>Gazette</i> 20 August 1982 p.3250)	
<i>Misuse of Drugs Amendment Act 1990</i>	50 of 1990	4 December 1990	4 December 1990	
<i>Conservation and Land Management Amendment Act 1991, section 57</i>	20 of 1991	25 June 1991	23 August 1991 (see <i>Gazette</i> 23 August 1991 p.4353)	
<i>Poisons Amendment Act 1994, section 11</i>	12 of 1994	15 April 1994	27 May 1994 (see <i>Gazette</i> 7 May 1994 p.2205)	
<i>Acts Amendment (Public Sector Management) Act 1994, section 3 (2)</i>	32 of 1994	29 June 1994	1 October 1994 (see <i>Gazette</i> 30 September 1994 p.4948)	
<i>Statutes (Repeals and Minor Amendments) Act 1994, section 4</i>	73 of 1994	9 December 1994	9 December 1994	
<i>Acts Amendment (Fines, Penalties and Infringement Notices) Act 1994, Part 15</i>	92 of 1994	23 December 1994	1 January 1995 (see section 2)	
<i>Misuse of Drugs Amendment Act 1995</i>	44 of 1995	18 October 1995	16 August 1996 (see section 2 and <i>Gazette</i> 16 August 1996 p.4007)	Section 16: transitional ²
<i>Poisons Amendment Act 1995, section 43</i>	48 of 1995	6 November 1995	20 March 1996 (see <i>Gazette</i> 19 March 1996 p.1203)	
<i>Misuse of Drugs Amendment Act 1998</i>	3 of 1998	26 March 1998	26 March 1998 (see section 2)	
<i>Statutes (Repeals and Minor Amendments) Act 2000, section 27</i>	24 of 2000	4 July 2000	4 July 2000 (see section 2)	

PART II — ORDERS IN COUNCIL

Orders	Gazettal	Commencement	Miscellaneous
<i>Misuse of Drugs (Amounts of Prohibited Drugs) Order 1990</i>	30 November 1990 p.5937	30 November 1990	
<i>Misuse of Drugs (Amounts</i>	29 November 1991	29 November 1991	

Orders	Gazettal	Commencement	Miscellaneous
<i>of Prohibited Drugs)</i> <i>Order 1991</i>	pp.6040-1		
<i>Misuse of Drugs (Amounts</i> <i>of Prohibited Drugs)</i> <i>Order 1994</i>	22 March 1994 p.1245	22 March 1994	

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Section 16 of the *Misuse of Drugs Amendment Act 1995* (Act No. 44 of 1995) reads as follows —

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16. Transitional

- (1) The principal Act as amended by this Act applies to and in relation to things seized before the commencement of this Act and in particular a direction may be given under section 27 of the principal Act as amended by this Act in respect of any such thing.
- (2) Anything done by an analyst or botanist under the principal Act before the commencement of this Act in relation to any thing seized before the commencement of this Act shall, for the purposes of the principal Act as amended by this Act, be taken to be a thing done by an approved analyst or an approved botanist.
- (3) A certificate given by an analyst or botanist under the principal Act before the commencement of this Act continues to have effect after the commencement of this Act as if the certificate had been given in accordance with the principal Act as amended by this Act.

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