The Law

NZ Legislation



legislation

- Acts of Parliament
- Statutary Regulations
- Codes of Conduct





- Animal Remedies Act 1967
- Agricultural Compounds and Veterinary Medicines Act 1997
- Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996
- Biosecurity Act 1993
- Medicines Act 1981
- Misuse of Drugs Act 1975

Animal Remedies Act

- definitions
- Animal Remedies Board
- registration
- · classification



prescription animal remedies

- class 1 (PAR 1)
 - given by a vet or under a vet's authority
- · class 2
 - given by a vet or under a vet's direct control
- · class 3
 - given by a vet

PAR1 antibiotics

- level 1 no controls
- level 2 as current PAR1
- level 3 for serious infections after C&S
- · level 4 as L3 + notify NZFSA
- · level 5 banned in food animals
- · level 6 banned in all animals

Animal Remedies Act

does not cover

- -implications for trade
- -deadlines for processing applications
- -prescriptions
- -storage & labelling
- -data sheets

- manages risks to
 - -trade
 - -animal welfare
 - -agricultural security
- domestic food standards
- consumer information



- definitions
- registration
- · abolishes ARB
- · · human drugs?
 - · horses?
 - · chemicals?



veterinary medicine

- "any substance used in the direct

management of animals"

- definitions
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- registration
- · risks to
 - -trade
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 - -agricultural security
- efficacy???





- all drugs used in animals must be registered unless
 - -exempted under ACVM Regs
 - -a s28 code of practice is followed
- conditions can be applied to registration
 - -PARs
 - -species

s28 codes of practice

- -NZVA code of practice
 - human prescription drugs
- -prescription writing standard





exempted with conditions

- -human GSL drugs
- -shampoos, hoof treatments etc
- drugs compounded by a vet for animals under his care
- substances generally recognised as safe



- separate prescribing from dispensing
- allow presribing over the phone without examining animal
- · relax PAR classification
 - -standing orders

HSNO Act

- ERMA
- manages risk to
 - -environment
 - -public health
- definitions?





new organisms

- -genetically modified
- –exotic animals / plants
- -newly evolved pathogens???

hazardous substances

anything which may be detrimental to human health



 detailed regs listing hazardous substances and conditions

active ingredients not trade name products

- vet drugs are hazardous substances
- human drugs are exempt

HSNO Amendment Bill

sets thresholds

- -above threshold full approval process
- below threshold ACVM Group or Medsafe can approve



- ACVM Act? NZFSA (MAF)
- HSNO Act? MfE
- Medicines Act? MoH
- Misuse of Drugs Act? MoH
- Meat Act? NZFSA
- Animal Products Act? NZFSA
- Biosecurity Act MAF Biosecurity

Medicines Act

- · as AR Act plus
- prescriptions, labels, containers

etc

- data sheets
 - -now on the web
 - http://www.medsafe.govt.nz
- classification



- prescription medicine
- restricted medicine
- pharmacy only medicine
- · · (general sales medicine)

classification

Medicine

 anything for administration to people for a therapeutic purpose (treating or preventing disease, diagnosing disease, contraception, inducing anaesthesia, altering the human body, interfering with physiological functions or cleaning contact lenses) or for pregnancy testing. Does not include animal remedies.

classification

New medicine

any medicine which has not been generally available in NZ in the last five years.



Pharmacy only medicine

 declared by regulation or notice that may only be sold in a pharmacy or hospital, or a licensed shop.

classification

Prescription medicine

 declared by regulation or notice that may only be sold pursuant to a prescription written by a practitioner or veterinary surgeon.

classification

- Restricted medicine
- declared by regulation or notice that may only be sold only by a pharmacist in a pharmacy or hospital.
- (nb. drugs controlled under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975 are not classified under this act.)



- s25 vets may procure drugs for named patients
- s29 anyone may sell a vet a drug for a named patient

Medicines Act

- in both Europe and USA,
 veterinary & human medicines
 are regulated under the same
 law
- Oz different laws in each state
 drugs not licensed in NZ are
 - often licensed overseas

Misuse of Drugs Act

drugs of abuse

- -classification
- -records
- -storage
- prescriptions



class	drugs	restrictions				
A	etorphine (heroin, cocaine, LSD etc)	controlled drug safe controlled drug register permission from MoH				
B1	morphine	controlled drug safe controlled drug register				
B3	alfentanil fentanyl pethidine methadone	controlled drug safe controlled drug register				
C2	codeine	controlled drug safe				
C4	buprenorphine pentobarbitone	controlled drug safe				
C5	benzodiazepines phenobarbitone	locked cupboard recom- mended				
C6	dilute solutions/forms	none				
C7	carfentanil (designer drugs)	controlled drug safe controlled drug register				
not controlled at pres- ent	ketamine butorphanol nalbuphine pentazocine ephedrine	locked cupboard				

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CONTROLLED DRUGS REGISTER

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Name and Form of Drug

One kind and one strength only to each page

morphine 30mg/mL

Date	Name and address of person from whom received; or Name of patient; or Name and address of person supplied; or Declaration "Physical stocktaking"	Prescription or Order Number or time	ln	Out	Balance	Name of Authority	Issued, Dispensed, or Administered by	Initials of Person Making Entry or Checking Balance
16/10/02	From Baxter's	order no.1234	10		10		A. Scuffham	IPC.
16 10 02	Dog Smith	123456		1	9	Barter	Linda	JPC
mus	animal's name t be written out		f ampou ot mg of phine	not	of ampoules left in safe - how many the should be!		vet	n nature of on checking balance

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cd prescriptions

- same as medicine prescriptions but
 - -no abbreviations
 - -no repeats
 - -must be hand written
- only rarely necessary for class C drugs in vet practice