

DECREES

Ministry of Health and Population

Decree No. 76 of 2000

On Regulating the Registration and Advertisement of Drugs, Pharmaceutical Products and Dietary Supplements.

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After Perusing

Law No. 127 of 1955 on Pharmacy Profession Practice; the Decree of the President of the Republic No. 242 of 1996 on Regulating the Ministry of Health and Population; the Ministerial Resolution No. 91 of 1999 on Regulating the Advertisement for Modern Treatment Methods, Drugs or Pharmaceutical Products and analogous substances; and

Ministerial Resolution No. 12 of 2000;

has decided:

Article 1 – Companies and other bodies producing or dealing with drugs, pharmaceutical products or dietary supplements shall conform, in terms of advertising for these products whether in newspapers, magazines or any other means of mass media, with the rules and provisions of Laws and Ministerial Decrees, the long-standing morals and traditions. Prior to publishing an advertisement, these companies must obtain the consent of the technical committee of the Ministry of Health and Population to the wording of the advertisement and the information therein.

Article 2 – Leaflets of the drugs, products, dietary supplements prescribed in the preceding Article, packages' cards, the information contained therein or stated on the containers, and the data contained in media publications designated for physicians or the like shall be an integral part of the approval of registration.



Upon the approval of registration, the specialized scientific committees and the technical committee for drug control shall ensure that all data are well- drafted in a style that adequately conveys the real meaning of the purpose of registration. All words and expressions must be used accurately to reflect such purpose without implying any other connotations.

The Ministry of Health shall keep a copy, in Arabic, of the approved leaflet and package card, which must be basically contained in the leaflet. A leaflet in the country of origin shall not be different from its equivalent in Egypt.

Article 3 – In case of violating any of the provisions prescribed in Articles 1 and 2 of this decree, the company or body violating the registered data shall be warned to cease its advertisement or to correct the relevant data through publication in the same space of the advertisement. In the case that the company does not comply to the warning within a period of no later than ten days, the drug or product shall be recalled from markets and its registration shall be cancelled. The said drug or product may not be re-registered before one year at least from the date of its cancellation.

Article 4 – The above-mentioned Ministerial Decree No. 12 of 2000 shall be null and void.

Article 5 – This DECREE shall be published in *Al-Waqa'i' Al-Misriyya* 'Egyptian Chronicles' and shall enter into force after seven days of its publication date.

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