

CRITERIA FOR CLASSIFYING AND DECLASSIFYING SUBSTANCES AND DRUG PREPARATIONS AS DANGEROUS DRUGS

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In classifying or declassifying substances and preparations as dangerous drugs, the following factors shall be considered:

1. Ill effects of the drug including those of each of the separate ingredients.
2. Reported instances of abuse and reported adverse effects. (Information source shall include reports from the local and national police agencies and the agencies concerned with the treatment and rehabilitation of drug dependents.)
3. Synergisms and antagonisms among ingredients.
4. Deterrent or antagonistic effects of the non-controlled ingredients.
5. Usefulness of and need for the drug in medical therapy. (Information source may include reports of the companies manufacturing preparations; containing the substance in question including its salts, isomers, esters, ethers and salts of isomers, esters, ethers where such chemical designation is possible on the chemical evaluation of said drug with emphasis on the psychic and/or physiological dependence liabilities.
6. International and foreign listings of dangerous drugs such as:
 - a. List of Narcotic Drugs under International Control;
 - b. List of Psychotropic Substances — included under the Vienna Convention;
 - c. U.S. List of Controlled Substances;
 - d. Australian List of Controlled Substances.

In making the necessary evaluation, it shall be considered that concomitant with the urgent need for rigorous measures to limit the use of dangerous drugs to legitimate ends is the necessity for recognizing that because of their usefulness for medical and scientific purposes, their ready availability is not unduly restricted.

This Regulation shall take effect immediately.

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