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# SINGAPORE ARMED FORCES ACT (CHAPTER 295)

# SINGAPORE ARMED FORCES (URINE SPECIMENS AND URINE TESTS) REGULATIONS 2014

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 205 of the Singapore Armed Forces Act, the Armed Forces Council hereby makes the following Regulations:

#### Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Singapore Armed Forces (Urine Specimens and Urine Tests) Regulations 2014 and shall come into operation on 1st August 2014.

# **Definitions**

**2.** In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

"authorised clinical laboratory" means a clinical laboratory licensed under section 6 of the Private Hospitals and Medical Clinics Act (Cap. 248) which is appointed by the Permanent

- Secretary, Ministry of Defence for the purposes of these Regulations;
- "Authority" means the Health Sciences Authority established under section 3 of the Health Sciences Authority Act (Cap. 122C);
- "Chief Executive of the Authority" means the Chief Executive of the Health Sciences Authority appointed under section 15 of the Health Sciences Authority Act;
- "controlled drug" has the same meaning as in the Misuse of Drugs Act (Cap. 185);
- "enforcement officer" means an officer of the Singapore Armed Forces, a senior military expert, a regular serviceman in the non-uniformed service in the Singapore Armed Forces, a warrant officer, a soldier not below the rank of 3SG or ME1 or a military policeman;
- "escort" means an enforcement officer, or any serviceman authorised by an enforcement officer, escorting a subject to the urine collection point;
- "subject" means a serviceman who is required to provide a urine specimen for the purpose of a urine test under a lawful order or a general order;
- "urine test", in relation to a urine specimen provided by a subject, means a test for controlled drugs carried out on that urine specimen.

# **Security boxes**

- **3.**—(1) Urine specimens which are to be procured for the purpose of urine tests under a lawful order or a general order shall be procured and deposited in security boxes in accordance with the First Schedule.
- (2) No person shall have the key to any security box without the authority of the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Defence, the Chief Executive of the Authority or the chief executive officer of the authorised clinical laboratory.

#### **Procedure**

**4.** The collection and delivery of urine specimens deposited in security boxes shall be in accordance with the Second Schedule.

## Urine test

- 5.—(1) A urine specimen provided for the purpose of a urine test under a lawful order or a general order must be divided into 3 parts, each of which must be marked and sealed according to the procedures set out in the First Schedule.
- (2) One part of the urine specimen must be delivered to an authorised clinical laboratory, and the remaining 2 parts of that specimen must be delivered to the Authority, according to the procedures set out in the Second Schedule.
- (3) A preliminary urine test shall be carried out, on the part of the urine specimen delivered to an authorised clinical laboratory, by a medical technician employed by the authorised clinical laboratory.
- (4) If the part of the urine specimen referred to in paragraph (3) is found to be negative for controlled drugs, the remaining 2 parts of that specimen may be tested for controlled drugs, or discarded.
- (5) If the part of the urine specimen referred to in paragraph (3) is found to be positive for any controlled drug, a second urine test must be carried out on each of the remaining 2 parts of that specimen whether or not an application is made under section 100 of the Act.
- (6) Only an analyst, or any other person whom the Minister may appoint for such purpose (referred to in this regulation as an appointed person), may carry out a urine test on any of the remaining 2 parts of the urine specimen referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5).
- (7) Where urine tests are to be carried out on the remaining 2 parts of the urine specimen referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5), the Chief Executive of the Authority must arrange for each part to be tested by a different person, being either an analyst or an appointed person.
- (8) After a urine test has been conducted on any of the remaining 2 parts of the urine specimen referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5), a certificate stating the result of that test must be produced and signed by an analyst, or by an appointed person, and that certificate must be