

Schedule 8 Medicine Summary: South Australia

Storage

The South Australian Code of Practice for the Storage and Transport of Drugs of Dependence state that all drugs of dependence must be stored in a securely locked storage cabinet meeting the following requirements:

- < 15 doses - 15mm thick hardwood, 5 lever key lock or equivalent, securely fixed to wall or floor.
- > 15 doses - when supervised at all times apply above requirements
- - when not supervised at all times apply requirements of Australia/New Zealand Standard for Safes and Strong room (AS/NZS 3809:1998) Resistance Grade 1. This would be equivalent to 100mm mild steel safe.

Records

SA Regulations require a drug register to be kept by medical practitioners or registered nurse who supply or administer S8 drugs to a person. The register must include:

- The *date* and *time* of the transaction
- The name and address of the person *to whom the drug is administered*.
- The name and address of the person/company *from whom the drug is received*
- The *quantity* supplied, administered or received
- The *balance* of the drug after the transaction
- The *name* and *signature* of the *practitioner/nurse* supplying, administering or receiving the drug.

Drug – Strength - Form (Eg Pethidine 100mg AMPS)

Date/Time	Name/Address	In	Out	Balance	Doctor/Nurse	Signature
23.05.04 11:55	Good Health 100 First St, Sydney	15		19	Sr T Banks	
15.06.04 16:08	Bob Smith 65 West Ave, Blue Bay		1	18	Dr P Adams	

Example of Drug Register

Entries are to be made *immediately* after the supply/administration of the drug.

Errors in the drug register must not be deleted, whited out with correction fluid or erased. A footnote or margin note reference must be made alongside the error, on the same page as that on which the error occurs and must contain the correct information. Corrections must be dated, named and signed.

Drug registers are to be kept for two years after the last entry.

Destruction

Another person must witness the destruction of S8 drugs. This person can be an authorised officer, police officer, medical practitioner, dentist, veterinary surgeon, pharmacist or nurse.

The person destroying the drug must record the following details immediately after the drug's destruction:

- The full names and the signatures of the person and the witness to the destruction
- The name of the drug destroyed
- The amount and strength of the drug
- The date and time of the destruction; and
- The amount of the drug (if any) remaining in stock

Contact

Phone: 08 8226 7100

Website: <http://www.health.sa.gov.au/gateway/drugsofdependence>

Please Note: *All efforts have been made to provide up to date correct information for your benefit. It is your responsibility to check the regulation.*