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SPECIAL CARE UNITS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2018

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I, SIMON HARRIS, Minister for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 98 and 101 of the Health Act 2007 (No. 23 of 2007) (as adapted by the Health and Children (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2011 (S.I. No. 219 of 2011)), hereby make the following regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Health Act 2007 (Care and Welfare of Children in Special Care Units) (Amendment) Regulations 2018.

2. The Health Act 2007 (Care and Welfare of Children in Special Care Units) Regulations 2017 (S.I. 634 of 2017) are amended by the substitution of Regulation 26 (1) with—

“26. (1) The registered provider shall—

- (a) take adequate precautions against the risk of fire,
- (b) provide suitable fire fighting equipment, building services and bedding and furnishings,
- (c) provide adequate means of escape, including emergency lighting,
- (d) make adequate arrangements for—
  - (i) preventing fire,
  - (ii) detecting, containing and extinguishing fires
  - (iii) giving warning of fires,
  - (iv) calling the fire service,
  - (v) evacuation, where necessary in the event of fire, of all persons in the special care unit and safe placement of children detained in the special care unit,
  - (vi) maintaining of all fire equipment, means of escape, building fabric and building services, and
  - (vii) reviewing fire precautions, and testing fire equipment, at suitable intervals,

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- (e) make arrangements for staff members, interns, trainees and persons on placements as part of vocational training courses at the special care unit to receive suitable training in fire prevention, emergency procedures, building layout and escape routes, location of fire alarm call points and first aid, fire fighting equipment, fire control techniques and the procedures to be followed should the clothes of a child detained in the special care unit catch fire, and arrangements for the evacuation of children detained in the special care unit, calling the fire service and for assisting the fire brigade, and
- (f) ensure, by means of fire safety management and fire drills at suitable intervals, that staff members, interns, trainees, persons on placements as part of vocational training courses at the special care unit and, in so far as is reasonably practicable, children detained in the special care unit, are aware of the procedure to be followed in the case of fire, including the procedure for saving life.”



GIVEN under my Official Seal,  
29 March 2018.

SIMON HARRIS,  
Minister for Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

*(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation)*

These Regulations amend Regulation 26 (1) of the Health Act 2007 (Care and Welfare of Children in Special Care Units) Regulations 2017 (S.I. 634 of 2017) to correct a minor typographical error.

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