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13. PORTUGAL**NATURAL ESTER WAXES**

USAGE : Pharmacy

REGULATIONS

The European Pharmacopoeia, 2nd Edition, includes monographs for white beeswax and yellow beeswax; for details refer to Section 19 - European Economic Community - as at August 1987 these are the only sections on waxes in the European Pharmacopoeia although it is understood that a monograph on carnauba wax is to be issued.

The Pharmacopoeia requirements for beeswax in all countries adopting the European Pharmacopoeia are therefore now identical and as given in Section 19; these requirements supersede those of the individual national pharmacopoeias.

It is understood that the following countries have agreed to adopt the requirements of the European Pharmacopoeia, either as original parties to the Convention on the Elaboration of a European Pharmacopoeia or through subsequent decisions (the European Pharmacopoeia has official status in the laws of the European Economic Community) :

Austria
Belgium
Denmark
EIRE
Finland
France

Germany
Greece
Italy
Luxembourg
Netherlands
Norway

Portugal
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland
United Kingdom