

HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT 56 OF 1974

REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF STUDENTS IN DENTAL THERAPY

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The Minister of Health and Welfare, in terms of [section 61](#) (1) of the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974), has, on the recommendation of the South African Medical and Dental Council, made the regulations set out in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE

[Regulation 1](#)

[Regulation 2](#)

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1. In these regulations “**the Act**” shall mean the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974), and any expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall bear such meaning, and, unless the context otherwise indicates -

“**section**” shall mean a section of the Act; and

“**student**” shall mean a student for a bachelor's degree in dental therapy recognised by the council in terms of the Act for purposes of registration as a dental therapist.

2. A student at a university in the Republic approved by the council shall apply to the registrar for registration as a student -
 - (a) in the case of a student enrolling at such university as a student, within two months following such enrolment;
 - (b) in the case of a student already enrolled at such university as at the date of publication of these regulations, within two months after such date of publication.
3. An application for registration as a student shall be made on a form obtainable from the registrar for this purpose and shall be accompanied by -

- (a) a birth certificate or, if a birth certificate cannot be furnished, by a baptismal certificate or such other proof of his age and correct names as may be to the satisfaction of the registrar;
 - (b) a matriculation certificate of the Joint Matriculation Board or a certificate of exemption from the matriculation examination issued by such board;
 - (c) a certificate indicating that such student has commenced studies for a bachelor's degree in dental therapy, which certificate shall state the date on which he was enrolled; and
 - (d) a registration fee of R10.
- 4.** (1) Where a student's name has been removed from the register and he resumes study for a bachelor's degree in dental therapy after having interrupted such study for a period of one year or longer, an application for his name to be restored to the register shall be made within two months of re-enrolment for such bachelor's degree and such application shall be accompanied by -
- (a) a certificate to the effect that such student has thus re-enrolled;
 - (b) his original certificate of registration or a certified copy thereof issued by the council, for which a fee of 50c shall be payable; and
 - (c) an amount of R1.
- (2) Subject to the provisions of [section 19](#), the name of a registered student who interrupts his studies for a period of more than one year but annually states in writing to the registrar his intention of continuing his studies for a bachelor's degree in dental therapy shall not be removed from the register of students in dental therapy.
- 5.** An application for the registration of a name of the register of students or for its restoration thereto which, together with the documents and fees referred to in regulation 3 or 4 (1), as the case may be, is submitted after the date contemplated in regulations 2 or 4 (1), as the case may be, shall be subject to an additional registration fee of 50c in respect of each month or part of a month by which such application is submitted later than such date.
- 6.** The registrar shall issue a registration certificate to every student who has been registered in terms of these regulations or whose name has been restored to the register of students.
- 7.** The name of a student shall be removed from the register as soon as proof is furnished to the satisfaction of the registrar that such student has discontinued his bachelor's degree studies in dental therapy within the Republic.