

HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT 56 OF 1974

REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH REGISTERED MASSEURS MAY PRACTISE THEIR PROFESSION

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The Minister of Health, on the recommendation of the South African Medical and Dental Council hereby makes the following regulations in terms of [section 61](#) (1) (m) of the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974), in substitution for the rules published under Government Notice R. 1709, dated 30 October 1964.

1. A registered masseur shall not-
 - (1) undertake any medical auxiliary work for any person except under the direction of a registered medical practitioner;
 - (2) administer electrical treatment of any kind to any person, except the application of external infra-red radiant heat in conjunction with manual massage or remedial exercises;
 - (3) for the purpose of obtaining patients or work or promoting his own professional interests, directly or indirectly advertise himself in any manner or procure, sanction or acquiesce in the publication of matter commending or directing attention to his professional skill, knowledge, services or qualifications or deprecating the professional skill, knowledge, services or qualifications of any registered person: Provided that he shall be at liberty-
 - (a) to advertise in the recognised medical, technical and nursing publications;
 - (b) to affix a door-plate not exceeding 360 mm by 210 mm in size at his place of residence or treatment rooms showing his name and qualifications in such manner as may be permitted by the council;
 - (c) to call upon, circularise or write to registered medical practitioners, medical institutions and hospitals;
 - (4) in a professional capacity sell goods to patients or accept commission on the sale of goods, but this shall not be deemed to include the supply of dressings or appliances in connection with the treatment of particular cases.
2. Any registered masseur contravening or failing to comply with any of the above regulations shall be liable to a fine not exceeding, R50.