

Dentists (Amendment) Regulations 2007

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**DENTAL REGISTRATION ACT
(CHAPTER 76)**

DENTISTS (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2007

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 62 of the Dental Registration Act, the Singapore Dental Council, with the approval of the Minister for Health, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Dentists (Amendment) Regulations 2007 and shall come into operation on 1st January 2008.

Amendment of title

2. The Dentists Regulations (Rg 1) are amended by deleting the word “DENTISTS” in the title and substituting the words “DENTAL REGISTRATION”.

Amendment of regulation 1

3. Regulation 1 of the Dentists Regulations is amended by deleting the word “Dentists” and substituting the words “Dental Registration”.

Amendment of regulation 2

4. Regulation 2(1) of the Dentists Regulations is amended —

(a) by deleting the definitions of “Council’s solicitor” and “elected members” and substituting the following definitions:

““Accreditation Board” means the Dental Specialists Accreditation Board established under section 32A of the Act;

“Complaints Committee” means a committee appointed under section 34(5) of the Act;

“Council’s solicitor” means an advocate and solicitor appointed under section 49J of the Act;

“Disciplinary Committee” means a Disciplinary Committee appointed under section 37(1) of the Act;

“elected members”, in relation to the Council, means the members of the Council referred to in section 3(2) (f) of the Act;

“Interim Orders Committee” means an Interim Orders Committee appointed in accordance with section 49B of the Act;” and

(b) by deleting the definition of “relevant dentist” and substituting the following definitions:

““registered person” means a person who is registered under Part III of the Act for the carrying out of any practice of dentistry;

“relevant dentist” means a registered dentist whose name appears in the first division of the Register of Dentists.”.

New regulation 7A

5. The Dentists Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 7,

the following regulation:

“No soliciting or canvassing for votes

7A.—(1) A candidate shall not canvass for votes, or solicit the vote of any person, except in the manner permitted by the returning officer.

(2) Any candidate who contravenes paragraph (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$2,000.”.

Deletion and substitution of Part III and new Part IIIA

6. Part III of the Dentists Regulations is deleted and the following Parts substituted therefor:

“PART III

REGISTRATION

Application for registration as dentist

13.—(1) The form to be used for the purpose of an application for registration as a dentist under the Act is that set out at the Council’s Internet website at <http://www.sdc.gov.sg> and every such application shall be accompanied by the following:

- (a) a certified copy of the degree referred to in section 14, 14A or 14B of the Act;
- (b) evidence of identity in the form of a statement by a registered dentist whose name appears in the first division of the Register of Dentists, a Magistrate or a Justice of the Peace to the effect that the applicant is personally known to him and is in fact the person whose name appears in the application;
- (c) a certificate by a medical practitioner approved by the Council of the applicant’s fitness to practise dentistry;
- (d) a certificate of registration as a dentist in any foreign country if the applicant has been registered in that country;
- (e) where applicable, a certificate of good standing from the registration body of a country where the applicant has been registered stating that, on the date of issue, the applicant is a registered dentist of that country and that no proceedings have been taken or are pending against him;

(f) any other information, statement or document required by the Council; and

(g) the appropriate fee specified in the Second Schedule.

(2) Any document produced under paragraph (1) which is not in English shall be accompanied by a certified translation thereof in English.

Application for registration as specialist

14.—(1) The form to be used for the purpose of an application for registration as a specialist under the Act is that set out at the Council's Internet website at <http://www.sdc.gov.sg> and every such application shall be accompanied by the following:

(a) a certificate obtained from the Accreditation Board under section 32B(1) of the Act; and

(b) the appropriate fee specified in the Second Schedule.

(2) If the Council is satisfied that the applicant —

(a) has the qualifications determined by the Accreditation Board under section 32B(1) of the Act for registration as a specialist in any defined specialty;

(b) has gained the special knowledge, skill and experience determined by the Accreditation Board under section 32B(1) of the Act for registration as a specialist in any defined specialty;

(c) is of good reputation and character; and

(d) is a registered dentist under the Act,

the Council may, subject to section 14C(2) of the Act and to any condition or restriction it may impose, register the applicant as a specialist in that defined specialty.

(3) Where the Council refuses to register an applicant, the Council shall by notice in writing inform the applicant of such refusal.

(4) The applicant may, within one month of the date of the notice given under paragraph (3), appeal to the Minister whose decision shall be final.

(5) In this regulation, unless the context otherwise requires, "defined specialty" means any branch of dentistry which the Accreditation Board has defined under