# **Professional Engineers (Amendment) Rules 2005**

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# PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS ACT (CHAPTER 253)

# PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS (AMENDMENT) RULES 2005

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 36 of the Professional Engineers Act, the Professional Engineers Board, with the approval of the Minister for National Development, hereby makes the following Rules:

### Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Professional Engineers (Amendment) Rules 2005 and shall come into operation on 1st December 2005.

## **Deletion and substitution of rule 3**

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**2.** Rule 3 of the Professional Engineers Rules (R 1) (referred to in these Rules as the principal Rules) is deleted and the following rule substituted therefor:

# "Application for registration as professional engineer

- **3.**—(1) An application to the Board for registration as a professional engineer under the Act shall be made
  - (a) in quadruplicate and in Form 1 set out in the Second Schedule; and
  - (b) within 5 years of the applicant having passed the Practice of Professional Engineering Examination referred to in rule 4A(1).
- (2) Where a person's application for registration as a professional engineer under the Act has been refused by the Board, that person shall not be entitled to make another application for registration as a professional engineer until 12 months have elapsed from the date of that application."

## Amendment of rule 4

- **3.** Rule 4 of the principal Rules is amended
  - (a) by deleting the words "or (b)" in paragraph (1); and
  - (b) by deleting the words "section 15(1)(c)" in paragraph (2) and substituting the words "section 15(1)(b)".

#### New rules 4A and 4B

**4.** The principal Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 4, the following rules:

# "Prescribed examinations for purposes of section 15 (2) (b) of Act

- **4A.**—(1) The following examinations shall be the prescribed examinations for the purposes of section 15(2)(b) of the Act:
  - (a) the Fundamentals of Engineering Examination, which tests the applicant's knowledge of fundamental engineering subjects in the appropriate branch of engineering; and
  - (b) the Practice of Professional Engineering Examination, which tests the applicant's ability to apply his knowledge and experience in professional engineering practice, and his knowledge of the rules and regulations regulating the practice of professional engineering in the appropriate branch of engineering.
  - (2) The Board shall —

- (a) appoint a Committee of Examiners to conduct the examinations referred to in paragraph (1);
- (b) determine the date, time and place for the examinations to be held;
- (c) determine the frequency of such examinations (not being less than once per year);
- (d) determine the scope and duration of such examinations;
- (e) determine the procedure for the conduct of such examinations; and
- (f) notify each applicant of the result of his examination as soon as practicable.

## Application to sit for examination

- **4B.**—(1) Every application to sit for an examination referred to in rule 4A(1) shall be
  - (a) made in such form and manner as the Board may determine;
  - (b) submitted not less than 60 days before the date of the examination; and
  - (c) accompanied by the appropriate fee specified in the Third Schedule.
- (2) A person may apply to sit for the Fundamentals of Engineering Examination referred to in rule 4A(1)(a) after he has obtained any of the qualifications referred to in section 15(1) of the Act.
- (3) A person may apply to sit for the Practice of Professional Engineering Examination referred to in rule 4A(1)(b) after he has
  - (a) completed 4 years of practical experience relevant to the branch of engineering that he seeks to be registered in; and
  - (b) sat for and passed the Fundamentals of Engineering Examination.
- (4) Where a person who has applied to sit for any of the examinations referred to in rule 4A(1) is unable to sit for the examination, the Board may, in its discretion, refund any fee or part thereof paid by that person under this rule.".

#### Amendment of rule 5

5. Rule 5 of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words "or (b)";
- (b) by deleting the words "or structural" in paragraph (a);
- (c) by deleting sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph (a) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:
  - "(i) during a period of not less than 12 months in a design office whilst under the supervision of a registered professional engineer who has in force a practising certificate; and";
- (d) by deleting the words "in the employ of the Government or" in paragraph (a)(ii);
- (e) by deleting paragraph (b) and substituting the following paragraph:
  - "(b) where the person seeks to be registered in the electrical or mechanical engineering discipline, the practical experience shall be practical experience in electrical or mechanical engineering work, as the case may be, obtained during a period of not less than 2 years whilst under the supervision of a registered professional engineer who has in force a practising certificate;";
- (f) by deleting paragraph (c); and
- (g) by deleting the words "seeks to be registered in other branches of engineering and for engineers" in paragraph (d) and substituting the word "is".

#### Amendment of rule 8

**6.** Rule 8 of the principal Rules is amended by deleting the words "a fee of \$150 which shall be in the form of a bank draft or cheque made in favour of the Board" and substituting the words "the appropriate fee specified in the Third Schedule".

#### Amendment of rule 9

- 7. Rule 9 of the principal Rules is amended
  - (a) by deleting the words "the Form 2" in paragraph (1) and substituting the words "Form 2"; and
  - (b) by deleting the words "a fee of \$150" in paragraph (2) and substituting the words "the appropriate fee specified in the Third Schedule".