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*Dental Practitioners Registration Act 2001*

# **DENTAL PRACTITIONERS REGISTRATION REGULATION 2001**

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# **DENTAL PRACTITIONERS REGISTRATION REGULATION 2001**

[as amended by all amendments that commenced on or before 25 July 2003]

## **PART 1—PRELIMINARY**

### **1 Short title**

This regulation may be cited as the *Dental Practitioners Registration Regulation 2001*.

### **2 Commencement**

This regulation commences on 1 January 2002.

## **PART 2—GENERAL REGISTRATION**

### **3 Qualifications for general registration—Act, s 44**

For section 44(1)(a) of the Act, a qualification stated in schedule 1, column 1, and conferred or awarded by the educational institution stated in column 2 for the qualification, is a qualification for general registration.

### **4 Period of registration—Act, s 56**

For section 56(1) of the Act, the general registration period is a financial year.

## **PART 3—SPECIALIST REGISTRATION**

### **5 Specialties—Act, sch 4, definition “specialty”**

For the definition “specialty” in schedule 4 of the Act, a branch of dentistry mentioned in schedule 2, column 1 is a specialty.

### **6 Qualifications for specialist registration—Act, s 102**

(1) For section 102(1)(a)(ii) of the Act, a qualification for specialist registration in a specialty mentioned in schedule 2, column 1 is a qualification stated opposite the specialty in column 2 and conferred or awarded by the educational institution stated for the qualification.

(2) However, for an individual who holds a qualification of Master of Dental Science conferred or awarded by the University of Melbourne or the University of Western Australia, the qualification applies only for the specialty in which the individual undertook the Masters program leading to the qualification.

### **7 Restricted specialist titles—Act, sch 4, definition “restricted specialist title”**

For the definition “restricted specialist title” in schedule 4 of the Act, the restricted specialist title for a specialty mentioned in schedule 2, column 1 is a title that consists of, or includes, the words stated opposite the specialty in column 3.

### **8 Period of registration—Act, s 109**

For section 109(1) of the Act, the specialist registration period is a financial year.

## **PART 4—FEES**

### **9 Fees**

The fees payable under the Act are stated in schedule 3.

**10 Waiver of fee—financial hardship**

The board may waive, wholly or partly, the payment of a fee by a person if the board is satisfied payment of the fee would cause the person financial hardship.

**11 Refund of registration fee or specialist registration fee**

(1) The board must refund the registration fee accompanying a person's application for registration, or renewal of registration, if—

- (a) the board refuses to grant the application; or
- (b) the person withdraws the application before it is decided.

(2) Subsection (3) applies if, within 3 months after the board decides to register a person or renew a person's registration, the person surrenders the registration.

(3) The board must refund the registration fee paid by the person less the amount of—

- (a) if the registration is general registration—the registration fee for general registration or special purpose registration for a period of registration of not more than 3 months; or
- (b) if the registration is specialist registration—the registration fee for specialist registration for a period of registration of not more than 3 months.

**12 Refund of restoration fee**

(1) The board must refund the registration component of a restoration fee accompanying a person's application for restoration of registration if—

- (a) the board refuses to grant the application; or
- (b) the person withdraws the application before it is decided.

(2) Subsection (3) applies if, within 3 months after the board decides to restore a person's registration, the person surrenders the registration.

(3) The board must refund the registration component of the restoration fee paid by the person less the amount of—

- (a) if the registration is general registration—the registration fee for general registration or special purpose registration for a period of registration of not more than 3 months; or

- (b) if the registration is specialist registration—the registration fee for specialist registration for a period of registration of not more than 3 months.

(4) In this section—

“**registration component**”, of a restoration fee, means the amount of the restoration fee less \$75.

## **PART 5—MISCELLANEOUS**

### **13 Notification of change in circumstances—Act, s 138**

For section 138 of the Act, each of the following is a change in a registrant’s circumstances of which the board must be advised—

- (a) a change in the registrant’s name;
- (b) a change in the registrant’s address;
- (c) for a special purpose registrant—a change in the way the registrant undertakes the special activity for which the registrant is registered;

*Examples of a ‘change’ for paragraph (c)—*

1. A registrant undertakes the activity at a different place.
  2. A registrant changes the amount of time spent doing the activity.
  3. A registrant ceases to do the activity.
- (d) the registrant ceases to be qualified for registration.

### **14 Prescribed designations and duties of operative dental auxiliaries**

(1) For the purposes of section 264(2)(a) of the Act, the prescribed designations of operative dental auxiliaries shall be as follows—

- (a) school dental therapists;
- (b) tutor school dental therapists;
- (c) dental hygienists.

(2) For the purposes of section 264(1) of the Act, the approved courses of training for—



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- (a) a school dental therapist shall be—
    - (i) a course of training at a school dental therapists training centre conducted by the Department of Health of the State; or
    - (ii) a course of training, other than that prescribed by subparagraph (i) hereof, approved by the board and the satisfactory completion of such further training as may be directed by the board to be undertaken at a school dental therapists training centre conducted by the Department of Health of the State;
  - (b) a tutor school dental therapist shall be—
    - (i) those courses set out in paragraph (a) (i) and (ii); and
    - (ii) a course of training for tutor school dental therapists at a school dental therapists training centre conducted by the Department of Health of the State;
  - (c) a dental hygienist shall be—
    - (i) a full-time course of training as a dental hygienist at the School of Para Dental Studies, Gillies Plains Community College, South Australia; or
    - (ii) any other course of training as a dental hygienist approved by the board.
- (3) The prescribed duties of—**
- (a) a school dental therapist shall be—
    - (i) established procedures associated with chairside assisting and clinic management; and
    - (ii) dental examination and charting; and
    - (iii) dental radiography for usual dental examination; and
    - (iv) cleaning and polishing of teeth and restorations; and
    - (v) removal of plaque and dental calculus; and
    - (vi) topical application to the teeth of preventive agents and the recommendation of fluoride supplements; and
    - (vii) dental health education; and
    - (viii) application of rubber dam; and

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- (ix) administration of infiltration and inferior dental nerve block analgesia; and
- (x) preparation of cavities in deciduous and permanent teeth but excluding preparations involving pins and inlays; and
- (xi) restoration of deciduous and permanent teeth with amalgam cement or plastic materials; and
- (xii) emergency treatment of pulp exposures in permanent teeth; and
- (xiii) pulp therapy in deciduous teeth; and
- (xiv) forceps extraction of deciduous teeth under local analgesia; and
- (xv) emergency control of haemorrhage; and
- (xvi) application of fissure sealants; and
- (xvii) impressions for study casts; and
- (b) a tutor school dental therapist shall be—
  - (i) the duties of a school dental therapist as set out in paragraph (a); and
  - (ii) assisting in the training of school dental therapists; and
- (c) a dental hygienist shall be—
  - (i) established procedures associated with chairside assistance and practice management; and
  - (ii) oral health education; and
  - (iii) dental radiography for usual dental examination; and
  - (iv) application of rubber dam; and
  - (v) pre-operative and post-operative instruction; and
  - (vi) irrigation of mouth and removal of sutures; and
  - (vii) topical application of solutions prescribed by a registrant; and
  - (viii) removal of dental calculus and dental cement; and
  - (ix) root planing; and
  - (x) cleaning and polishing of teeth and restorations; and

- (xi) impressions for study casts; and
- (xii) removal of periodontal packs; and
- (xiii) band selection; and
- (xiv) removal of ligatures, archwire fixation pins and archwires.

**(4)** A school dental therapist may perform prescribed duties only—

- (a) as an employee of the department in—
  - (i) a dental clinic established by the department; or
  - (ii) a school dental therapist training centre in Queensland; or
  - (iii) The University of Queensland School of Dentistry; and
- (b) in the treatment of children 4 years of age or older who have not completed year 10 at school.

Maximum penalty—4 penalty units.

**(4A)** A school dental therapist or a tutor school dental therapist shall not undertake a procedure set out in subsection (3)(a)(xvi) and (xvii) unless the school dental therapist or tutor school dental therapist has been trained to perform the procedure.

Maximum penalty—4 penalty units.

**(5)** A dental hygienist shall not undertake an operative procedure set out in subsection (3)(c)(iii) to (xiv) unless—

- (a) the dental hygienist has been trained to perform the operative procedure; and
- (b) the procedure does not involve cutting of oral or dental tissue; and
- (c) the procedure has been specifically authorised by a registrant.

Maximum penalty—4 penalty units.

**(6)** A dental hygienist shall not perform the prescribed duties set out in subsection (3)(c) except under the immediate personal supervision of a registrant.

Maximum penalty—4 penalty units.

**(7)** A registrant shall not employ a dental hygienist unless the registrant has obtained the prior approval of the board.

Maximum penalty—4 penalty units.

(7A) An application for the approval of the board to employ a dental hygienist shall be made in the approved form and be accompanied by a fee of \$30.00.

(8) A registrant must not, without the board's approval, employ more than 1 dental hygienist at the same time.

Maximum penalty for subsection (8)—5 penalty units.

## **PART 6—TRANSITIONAL PROVISION**

### **15 Transitional provision about certain existing specialties—Act, s 250**

For section 250(6) of the Act, a new specialty mentioned in schedule 4, column 1 includes, or is the equivalent of, the previous specialty stated opposite the new specialty in column 2.

**SCHEDULE 1****QUALIFICATIONS FOR GENERAL REGISTRATION**

section 3

<b>Qualification</b>	<b>Institution</b>
Bachelor of Dental Science	University of Queensland
Bachelor of Dental Surgery	University of Sydney
Bachelor of Dental Science	University of Melbourne
Bachelor of Dental Surgery	Adelaide University
Bachelor of Dental Science	University of Western Australia
Bachelor of Dental Surgery	University of Otago, New Zealand

**SCHEDULE 2****QUALIFICATIONS FOR SPECIALIST REGISTRATION**

sections 5, 6 and 7

<b>Specialty</b>	<b>Qualification and Institution</b>	<b>Restricted specialist title</b>
Dento-maxillofacial radiology	Master of Dental Science (Dento-Maxillofacial Radiology), University of Queensland	Dento-maxillofacial radiologist
	Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (Dento-Maxillofacial Radiology), Adelaide University	
Endodontics	Master of Dental Science (Endodontics), University of Queensland	Endodontist
	Master of Dental Science (Endodontics), University of Sydney	
	Master of Dental Science, University of Melbourne	
	Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (Endodontics), Adelaide University	
	Master of Dental Science, University of Western Australia	
	Master of Dental Surgery (Endodontics), University of Otago, New Zealand	

## SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

<b>Specialty</b>	<b>Qualification and Institution</b>	<b>Restricted specialist title</b>
Oral and maxillofacial surgery	Master of Dental Science (Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery), University of Queensland	Oral and maxillofacial surgeon
	Master of Dental Science (Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery), University of Sydney	
	Master of Dental Science, University of Melbourne	
	Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery), Adelaide University	
	Master of Dental Science, University of Western Australia	
	Master of Dental Surgery (Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery), University of Otago, New Zealand	
Oral pathology and oral medicine	Master of Dental Science (Oral Medicine/Oral Pathology), University of Queensland	Oral pathologist
	Master of Dental Science (Oral Medicine and Oral Pathology), University of Sydney	
	Master of Dental Science, University of Melbourne	
	Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (Oral Medicine), Adelaide University	
	Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (Oral Pathology), Adelaide University	
	Master of Dental Science, University of Western Australia	
	Master of Dental Surgery (Oral Medicine), University of Otago, New Zealand	
	Master of Dental Surgery (Oral Pathology), University of Otago, New Zealand	

## SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

<b>Specialty</b>	<b>Qualification and Institution</b>	<b>Restricted specialist title</b>
Orthodontics	Master of Dental Science (Orthodontics), University of Queensland Master of Dental Science (Orthodontics), University of Sydney Master of Dental Science, University of Melbourne Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (Orthodontics), Adelaide University Master of Dental Science, University of Western Australia Master of Dental Surgery (Orthodontics), University of Otago, New Zealand	Orthodontist
Paedodontics/ Paediatric dentistry	Master of Dental Science (Paediatric Dentistry), University of Queensland Master of Dental Science (Paediatric Dentistry), University of Sydney Master of Dental Science, University of Melbourne Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (Paediatric Dentistry), Adelaide University Master of Dental Science, University of Western Australia Master of Dental Surgery (Paediatric Dentistry), University of Otago, New Zealand	Paediatric dentist



## SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

<b>Specialty</b>	<b>Qualification and Institution</b>	<b>Restricted specialist title</b>
Periodontics	Master of Dental Science (Periodontics), University of Queensland Master of Dental Science (Periodontics), University of Sydney Master of Dental Science, University of Melbourne Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (Periodontics), Adelaide University Master of Dental Science, University of Western Australia Master of Dental Surgery (Periodontology), University of Otago, New Zealand	Periodontist
Prosthodontics	Master of Dental Science (Prosthodontics), University of Queensland Master of Dental Science (Prosthodontics), University of Sydney Master of Dental Science (Removable Prosthodontics), University of Sydney Master of Dental Science, University of Melbourne Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (Prosthodontics), Adelaide University Master of Dental Surgery (Prosthodontics), University of Otago, New Zealand	Prosthodontist
Public health dentistry	Master of Dental Science (Community Oral Health and Epidemiology), University of Sydney Master of Dental Science, University of Melbourne	Public health dentist

**SCHEDULE 3****FEES**

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1. Application fee for general registration or special purpose registration . . . . .	100.00
2. Application fee for specialist registration . . . . .	120.00
3. Registration fee for general registration or special purpose registration—	
(a) for a period of registration of not more than 3 months	62.00
(b) for a period of registration of more than 3 months but not more than 6 months . . . . .	125.00
(c) for a period of registration of more than 6 months but not more than 1 year . . . . .	249.00
4. Registration fee for specialist registration—	
(a) for a period of registration of not more than 3 months	21.00
(b) for a period of registration of more than 3 months but not more than 6 months . . . . .	42.00
(c) for a period of registration of more than 6 months but not more than 1 year . . . . .	83.00
5. Restoration fee for general registration . . . . .	324.00
6. Restoration fee for specialist registration . . . . .	158.00
7. Application for review of conditions . . . . .	100.00
8. Replacement of certificate of registration . . . . .	25.00
9. Certified copy of certificate of registration . . . . .	25.00
10. Copy of the register or part of it—for each page . . . . .	.50

**SCHEDULE 4****TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR CERTAIN  
EXISTING SPECIALTIES**

section 15

<b>New specialty</b>	<b>Previous specialty</b>
Public health dentistry	Dental public health
Oral pathology and oral medicine	Oral pathology
Paedodontics/paediatric dentistry	Pedodontics

## ENDNOTES

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### 2 Date to which amendments incorporated

This is the reprint date mentioned in the Reprints Act 1992, section 5(c). Accordingly, this reprint includes all amendments that commenced operation on or before 25 July 2003. Future amendments of the Dental Practitioners Registration Regulation 2001 may be made in accordance with this reprint under the Reprints Act 1992, section 49.

### 3 Key

#### Key to abbreviations in list of legislation and annotations

Key	Explanation	Key	Explanation
AIA	= Acts Interpretation Act 1954	(prev)	= previously
amd	= amended	proc	= proclamation
amdt	= amendment	prov	= provision
ch	= chapter	pt	= part
def	= definition	pubd	= published
div	= division	R[X]	= Reprint No.[X]
exp	= expires/expired	RA	= Reprints Act 1992
gaz	= gazette	reloc	= relocated
hdg	= heading	renum	= renumbered
ins	= inserted	rep	= repealed
lap	= lapsed	(retro)	= retrospectively
notfd	= notified	rv	= revised edition
o in c	= order in council	s	= section
om	= omitted	sch	= schedule
orig	= original	sdiv	= subdivision
p	= page	SIA	= Statutory Instruments Act 1992
para	= paragraph	SIR	= Statutory Instruments Regulation 2002
prec	= preceding	SL	= subordinate legislation
pres	= present	sub	= substituted
prev	= previous	unnum	= unnumbered

## 4 Table of reprints

Reprints are issued for both future and past effective dates. For the most up-to-date table of reprints, see the reprint with the latest effective date.

If a reprint number includes a letter of the alphabet, the reprint was released in unauthorised, electronic form only.

### TABLE OF REPRINTS

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1	none	1 January 2002	11 January 2002 (Column discontinued) Notes
1A	to 2002 SL No. 242	20 September 2002	
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## 5 List of legislation

### **Dental Practitioners Registration Regulation 2001 SL No. 264**

made by the Governor in Council on 13 December 2001  
notfd gaz 14 December 2001 pp 1351–4  
ss 1–2 commenced on date of notification  
remaining provisions commenced 1 January 2002 (see s 2)  
exp 1 September 2012 (see SIA s 54)

**Note**—(1) This regulation contains a provision relocated from the Dental By-law 1988 (2001 No. 4 s 265)

(2) s 18 is relocated to the Dental Practitioners Registration Regulation 2001 into pt 5 and renumbered as s 14 (2001 SL No. 264 s 16)

amending legislation—

### **Health Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 2002 SL No. 242 pts 1, 3**

notfd gaz 20 September 2002 pp 245–6  
commenced on date of notification

### **Health Practitioner Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2003 SL No. 171 s 1, pt 2**

notfd gaz 25 July 2003 pp 1100–2  
commenced on date of notification

## **6 List of annotations**

### **Prescribed designations and duties of operative dental auxiliaries**

**s 14** (prev Dental By-law 1988 s 18) amd by-law pubd gaz 28 October 1989  
p 1604; 1993 SL No. 261 s 3; 1995 SL No. 371 s 11; 1997 SL No. 364 s 5;  
1999 SL No. 26 s 3; 2001 Act No. 4 s 268 sch 3 pt B  
renum and reloc 2001 SL No. 264 s 16

### **PART 7—MINOR AMENDMENTS**

**pt hdg** om R1 (see RA s 7(1)(k))

### **Relocation and renumbering of certain section of subordinate legislation under repealed Act—Act, s 265**

**s 16** om R1 (see RA s 40)

### **Consequential amendments**

**s 17** om R1 (see RA s 40)

### **SCHEDULE 2—QUALIFICATIONS FOR SPECIALIST REGISTRATION**

amd 2003 SL No. 171 s 4

### **SCHEDULE 3—FEES**

amd 2002 SL No. 242 s 5

### **SCHEDULE 5—CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS**

om R1 (see RA s 40)