

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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DENTAL TECHNICIANS ACT, 1979 (ACT No. 19 of 1979)

REGULATIONS REGARDING A NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION
EXAMINATION IN DENTAL TECHNOLOGY

The Minister of Health intends, under section 50(r) of the Dental Technicians Act, 1979 (Act No. 19 of 1979) on the recommendation of the South African Dental Technicians Council made the Regulations in the Schedule.

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments or representations on the proposed regulations to the Director-General of Health, Private Bag X828, Pretoria, 0001 for attention of the Director: Public Entities Governance; mihloti.mushwana@health.gov.za and paul.tsebe@health.gov.za, within three month of the date of publication of this Notice



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MINISTER OF HEALTH

DATE

10/11/2024

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In these regulations any expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act bear that meaning and unless the context indicates otherwise -
“**Council**” means the South African Dental Technicians Council established in terms of section 2 of the Act;
“**approved institution**” means a public higher education institution or private institution approved under the Higher Education Act 1997 (Act No. 101 of 1997) and approved by the Council to carry out education and training programmes in Dental Technology; and
“**the Act**” means the Dental Technicians Act, (Act No. 19 of 1979).

Venues and occasions for the National Professional Registration Examination

2. (1) The venues for the written assessments are the approved institutions providing dental technology programmes or any other suitable venue by arrangement and will take place simultaneously in each of the venues.

(2) The written assessments will take place over two days and must happen six weeks before the date of the practical assessment as published by Council.

(3) The venues for the practical assessment are the institutions' dental laboratories and related areas or such other suitable facilities as decided by Council and practical assessment will take place simultaneously in each institution / facility.

(4) The institutions must agree on practical assessment details and have them published by Council on its website.

The role of the institution/facility

3. (1) The institution must ensure that all instruments and equipment are in good working conditions for assessment purposes and that contingencies are in place in case of any failures of said instruments or equipment.

(2) The institution must appoint an assessment coordinator who must take responsibility for the administration of the National Professional Registration Examination at the institution or facility and must be released from their normal duties in order to do so.

(3) For the practical assessment the institution coordinator will:

- (a) receive the master models and related information and instructions from the Council at least two weeks before the practical examination and will keep same under strict security; and
- (b) facilitate the production of master moulds and the duplication of all necessary required materials under strict conditions and security.

(4) All preparations must be completed at least 24 hours before the practical assessment.

(5) The institution must supply all materials, and any extra materials needed due to waste or mishap is for the candidate's account and will be charged additionally and paid for prior to the release of any results.

(6) On completion of the practical assessment, the institution coordinator will ensure the safe packaging and the transfer of all the required material to Council House.

Short title

4. These Regulations are called Regulations regarding a National Professional Registration Examination In Dental Technology, 2024