



Dentists Act 1984

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- 1 (1) The Council shall consist of the President and twenty-nine...

Election and nomination of members

- 2 (1) The period for which those elected as members of...

Registered dentist and dental auxiliary members

- 3 (1) The period for which those nominated as members of...

Council President

- 4 (1) The Council shall elect a registered dentist as President...
5 A person shall not be disqualified for being elected or...

General powers of Council

- 6 (1) Subject to the following provisions of this Part of...
7 (1) The Council may, after paying their expenses, including the...
8 (1) The Council may make rules— (a) for regulating the...

Part II — COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

The Education Committee

- 9 (1) The Education Committee shall consist of—

The Preliminary Proceedings Committee

- 10 The Preliminary Proceedings Committee shall consist of the President and...

The Professional Conduct Committee

- 11 (1) The Professional Conduct Committee shall consist of the President...

The Dental Auxiliaries Committee

- 12 (1) The Dental Auxiliaries Committee shall consist of—

SCHEDULE 2 — European Dental Qualifications

Part I — APPROPRIATE EUROPEAN DIPLOMAS

- 1 (1) In this Part of this Schedule— “Community Council...
2 Subject to paragraphs 3, 3A and 4 below, any diploma...
3 A scheduled European diploma granted in an EEA State before...
3A A diploma granted in an EEA State on or after...
4 A diploma granted in an EEA State before the implementation...
5 (1) Subject to paragraph 6 below, on or after the...
6 A person shall be excepted from satisfying the requirement referred...

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7 A diploma in dentistry which is evidence of training commenced...
Part II — SCHEDULED EUROPEAN DIPLOMAS

Austria

The diploma the title of which will be notified by...

Belgium

“Diplôme légal de licencié en science dentaire/wettelijk diploma van licentiaat...

Denmark

“Bevis for tandlaegeeksamen (kandidateksamen)” (official diploma certifying that the holder...

Finland

“Todistus hammaslääketieteen lisensiaatin tutkinnosta/bevis om odontologi licentiat examen” (certificate of...

France

- 1 “Diplôme d’État de chirurgien-dentiste” (State diploma of dental surgeon), awarded...
- 2 “Diplôme d’État de docteur en chirurgie dentaire” (State diploma of...

Germany

- 1 “Zeugnis über die zahnärztliche Staatsprüfung” (the State examination certificate in...
- 2

Greece

“ptuxío sdontiatrikής tou Panpiothmíou”(degree in dentistry of a University).

Iceland

“Próffrá tannlæknaeild Háskóla Íslands” (diploma from the dental faculty of...

Republic of Ireland

The diploma of: —Bachelor in Dental Science (B.Dent. Sc.), —
Bachelor...

Italy

“Diploma di Laurea in Odontoiatria e Protesi Dentaria” accompanied by...

Liechtenstein

Any diploma which— (a) has been awarded in any EEA...

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Luxembourg

“Diplôme d’État de docteur en médecine dentaire” (State diploma of...

The Netherlands

“Universitair getuigschrift van een met goed gevolg afgelegd tandartsexamen” (university...

Norway

“Bevis for bestått odontologisk embetseksamen” (diploma of the degree cand....

Portugal

“Carta de curso de licenciatura em medicina dentaÁria” (diploma conferring...

Spain

“Título de Licenciado en Odontología” awarded by the rector of...

Sweden

“Tandläkarexamen” (university diploma in dentistry) awarded by schools of dentistry...

SCHEDULE 3 — Professional Conduct and Health Cases

Preliminary

- 1 (1) This Schedule applies to proceedings before the Professional Conduct...

Rules of procedure

- 2 (1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, the Council...

Preliminary proceedings in health cases

- 3 (1) Rules under paragraph 2(1)(b) above shall make provision for...

Referrals to the registrar

- 3A Where, in the course of any proceedings under section 27...

Evidence etc.

- 4 (1) For the purposes of any proceedings before the Professional...

Legal assessors

- 5 (1) For the purpose of advising the Professional Conduct Committee...

Medical examiners and assessors

- 6 Rules under paragraph 2(1)(b) above shall make provision for the...

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Service of notifications by registrar

7 (1) Any notification required by the principal sections to be...

Recording of suspension or imposition of conditions

8 (1) Where a determination, direction or order for suspension or...
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SCHEDULE 3A — CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CASES

Procedure

1 A person who wishes to appeal to the Continuing Professional...
2 (1) The Council shall make rules as to the procedure...
3 (1) Where the Continuing Professional Development Committee
determine under this...

References to other committees

4 Where, in the course of proceedings relating to a registered...

Notices

5 Any notice required to be served on a person under...

SCHEDULE 4 — Visiting EEC Practitioners

Preliminary

1 (1) This Schedule has effect for the purpose of enabling...

Declarations and certificates to be provided by visiting EEC practitioners

2 (1) A person to whom this Schedule applies who intends...

List of EEC practitioners

3 (1) The registrar shall continue to keep a list known...

Persons not entitled to be included in the list of visiting EEC practitioners

4 A person to whom this Schedule applies shall not be...

*Disciplinary provisions affecting practitioners who
render services while visiting the United Kingdom*

5 (1) If a person who is or has been entered...

SCHEDULE 5 — Consequential Amendments

1
— MEDICINES ACT 1968 (C. 67)
2 In section 132(1), in the definition of “dentist”, for the...
— MISUSE OF DRUGS ACT 1971 (C. 38)
3 In section 37(1), in the definition of “dentist”, for the...
— POISONS ACT 1972 (C. 66)
4 In section 11(2), in the definition of “dentist”, for the...

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- HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1972 (S.I.1972/1265 (N.I.14))
- 5 In Article 2(2), in the definition of “dental practitioner”, for...
 - FAIR TRADING ACT 1973 (C. 41)
- 6 In paragraph 3 of Schedule 4, for “1957” substitute “1984”...
 - RESTRICTIVE TRADE PRACTICES ACT 1976 (C. 34)
- 7 In paragraph 3 of Schedule 1, for “1957” substitute “...
 - NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT 1977 (C. 49)
- 8 In section 35(3) (added by section 15 of the Health...
- 9 In section 128(1), in the definition of “dental practitioner”, for...
- 10 In paragraph 10(2A) of Schedule 5 (inserted by the said...
- 11
 - NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE (SCOTLAND) ACT 1978 (C. 29)
- 12 In section 25(4) (added by section 16 of the Health...
- 13 In section 108(1), in the definition of “dental practitioner”, for...
- 14 In paragraph 6A of Schedule 1 (inserted by the said...
 - MEDICAL ACT 1983 (C. 54)
- 15 In paragraph 4 of Schedule 6, for “Articles 2(d) and”...
 - VALUE ADDED TAX ACT 1983 (C. 55)
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SCHEDULE 6 — Repeals and Revocations

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General

- 1 Where a period of time specified in an enactment repealed...

Elections and nominations

- 2 Any election or nomination held or made before the commencement...

Registration

- 3 (1) Nothing in the repeals made by this Act shall...

Adaptation of references in enactments etc.

- 4 (1) In any enactment or instrument passed or made before...

Proceedings pending before Disciplinary Committee

- 5 For the purpose of the hearing and determination of any...
- 6 For the purposes of— (a) any case referred to the...

Rules of procedure

- 7 Any rules made by the Council before the commencement of...

Restrictions on carrying on the business of dentistry

- 8 Except in the case of a body corporate which—
- 9 (1) Any reference in section 41(2) or 44 of this...

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Documents issued by Dental Board

10 The reference in section 52(2) of this Act to any...

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