
GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

No. R. 57

28 January 2014

HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 1974 (ACT NO.56 OF 1974)

REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION OF BASIC AMBULANCE ASSISTANTS, AMBULANCE EMERGENCY ASSISTANTS, OPERATIONAL EMERGENCY CARE ORDERLY AND PARAMEDICS

The Minister of Health intends, under section 24 of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974) and on the recommendation of the Health Professions Council of South Africa, to make the regulations in the Schedule.

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments in writing on the proposed amendments to the Director-General: Health, Private Bag X828, Pretoria, 0001 (for the attention of the Director: Human Resource Stakeholder Relations and Management), within three months from date of publication of this notice.

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In these regulations, "**Act**" means the Health Professions Act, 1974, (Act No. 56 of 1974). and any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act has the meaning so assigned and, unless the context otherwise indicates –
"**ambulance emergency assistant**" means a person registered as such under the Act;
"**annexure**" means an annexure to these regulations;
"**basic ambulance assistant**" means a person registered as such under the Act;
"**professional board**" means the Professional Board for Emergency Care as established in terms of section 15 of the Act;
"**operational emergency care orderly**" means a person registered as such under the Act;
"**paramedic**" means a person registered as such under the Act.

Qualifications for registration as basic ambulance assistant or ambulance emergency assistant or paramedic or operational emergency care orderly

2. The registrar may register as a basic ambulance assistant any person who has obtained any of the relevant basic ambulance assistance qualifications listed in the Annexure within three months from the date of promulgation of these regulations;
3. The registrar may register as an ambulance emergency assistant any person who obtained, prior to 31 December 2014, any of the relevant ambulance emergency assistance qualifications listed in the Annexure;
4. The registrar may register as a paramedic any person who obtained, prior to 31 December 2014, any of the relevant paramedic qualifications listed in the Annexure; and

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5. The registrar may register as a operational emergency care orderly any person who obtained, prior to 31 December 2014, any of the relevant operational emergency care orderly qualifications listed in the Annexure.



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MINISTER OF HEALTH

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