

HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT 56 OF 1974

RULES FOR THE REGISTRATION OF ORTHOPTISTS

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The South African Medical and Dental Council hereby makes the following rules in terms of [section 32](#)(1) of the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974), In substitution for the rules published under Government Notice R1714, dated 30 October 1964:

1. The council may register as an orthoptist any applicant who has obtained a qualification in orthoptics granted after examination by any institution or examining authority approved by resolution of the council from time to time as competent to grant such qualification.

Note.- The granting of the registration certificate will be confined to persons holding the diploma in orthoptics of the British Optical Association or the diploma of the British Orthoptic Society, or qualifications equivalent to these diplomas, as may be decided upon by the council from time to time.

2. Where, in the case of an application for registration, the qualification on which the application is based has not already been approved by the council, the applicant shall be required to cause the council to be furnished with authoritative information as to the training required for such qualification, whereupon, if the standard of such training is considered satisfactory by the council such qualification may be approved.