

HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT 56 OF 1974

REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF STUDENT ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICERS

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The Minister of Health has, in terms of [section 61](#) (1) (1) (ivA) of the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974 (Act 56 of 1974)), made the regulations set out in the schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE

1. In this Schedule, unless the context otherwise indicates-

“**the Act**” means the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974); and

“**student environmental health officer**” means a student environmental health officer as defined in [section 1](#) of the Health Act, 1977 (Act 63 of 1977).

2. Every student health inspector at a training institution in the Republic which offers training leading to a qualification as an environmental officer inspector which is recognised by the council under provisions of the Act shall submit to the registrar an application for registration as a student environmental health officer in accordance with the provisions of regulation 3 hereof-

- (1) in the case of student environmental health officers commencing attendance of courses at a training institution, within two months following such commencement; or
- (2) in the case of student environmental health officers who have been exempted from a specific year or years of study, within two months following their commencement of attendance in the next year of study, or
- (3) in the case of student environmental health officers who, on the date of publication of these regulations, have already commenced attendance of courses at a training institution, within two months of the date of publication of these regulations.

3. Every application for registration as a student health officer shall be made in the form shown in Annexure A and shall be accompanied by-

- (1) a birth certificate; or if the student environmental health officer is unable to furnish a birth certificate, a baptismal certificate or such other evidence with regard to his age and correct names as may be to the satisfaction of the registrar;
- (2) a senior certificate or a school-leaving certificate accepted for this purpose by the council;
- (3) a certificate indicating that the student health officer has commenced study in a subject, or subjects at a training institution approved by the council, which certificate shall

indicate the year of study for which the student environmental health officer is enrolled and the date on which he was so enrolled;

(4) a registration fee of R 10:

Provided that every application by a student environmental health officer who has been admitted to a training institution in South Africa in a temporary capacity for a period not exceeding one academic year and not for purposes of obtaining a qualification need be accompanied only by a certificate to the effect that the student environmental health officer has commenced study of a subject or subjects in a year of study for a qualification as an environmental health officer, and proof that he has been registered as a student environmental health officer by a registering authority recognised by the council for this purpose in a country or state other than the Republic of South Africa.

4. Every student environmental health officer who resumes study as a student environmental health officer, after having interrupted such study for a period of one year or more, shall submit an application for re-registration within two months of resumption of such study; such application shall be accompanied by a certificate to the effect that such student has resumed study as a student environmental health officer, his original certificate of registration, and a fee of R1 : Provided that, subject to the provisions of regulation 10 (2), in cases where a student environmental health officer interrupts his studies for a period of more than one year but annually states in writing his intention of continuing his studies the name of such student shall not be erased from the register of student environmental health officers.
5. Every student environmental health officer who applies for re-registration in terms of regulation 4 and who is not able to submit his original certificate of registration shall apply for a certified copy of his original certificate of registration for which a fee of 50c shall be payable.
6. Every application, together with the documents and fees mentioned in regulation 3 or 4, as the case may be, submitted after the date mentioned in regulation 2 or 4, respectively, shall be subject to an additional registration fee of 50c in respect of each month or portion of a month it is submitted after such date.
7. No student environmental health officer shall be registered or re-registered as a student environmental health officer unless he has complied in all respects with the requirements laid down in regulation 3 or 4, as the case may be, and regulation 6, where applicable.
8. Every student environmental health officer registered with the council shall be furnished with a registration certificate in the form shown in Annexure B.
9. (1) In the case of a student environmental health officer who obtains recognition for subjects prescribed for a qualification as an environmental health officer, which subjects he took and in which he passed examinations at a training institution approved by the council (not at the training institution where he has been admitted as a student environmental health officer), the date of this registration as a student environmental health officer may be ante-dated for a period equivalent to that for which he obtained recognition: Provided that recognition shall not be granted for a period of more than two years of study.
(2) in the case of a person who applies for registration as a student environmental health officer in terms of regulation 2 (3), the date of his registration as a student

environmental health officer may be ante-dated to the date on which he commenced his studies in environmental health officers at an approved training institution.

10. (1) Every training institution within the Republic which offers training leading to a qualification as an environmental health officer which is recognised by the council under the provisions of the Act shall submit to the registrar before or on 31 May of each year a list of names of all student environmental health officers enrolled for the diploma in public health at that training institution on 1 May of that year, as well as a list of all registered student environmental health officers who discontinued their studies during the preceding 12 months: such list shall indicate the full names, the year of study and, in cases where student environmental health inspectors discontinued their studies, the date of discontinuation, of each student.
- (2) Together with the lists mentioned in regulation 10 (1) the training institution concerned shall also submit a list of names of registered student environmental health officers who discontinued their studies temporarily during the preceding 12 months, the reasons for such temporary discontinuation, and the date on which the student environmental health officers concerned are expected to resume their studies for a qualification as an environmental health officer, as well as a list of names of student environmental health officers who, after temporary discontinuation of studies, resumed their studies for a qualification as an environmental health officer during the preceding 12 months.
11. The name of student environmental health officer shall be erased from the registrar as soon as he has been registered as an environmental health officer, or as soon as proof is given to the satisfaction of the registrar that such student has discontinued his studies as an environmental student health officer within the Republic.

ANNEXURE A

THE SOUTH AFRICAN MEDICAL AND DENTAL COUNCIL

THE PROFESSIONAL BOARD FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICERS

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS A STUDENT ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER

The Registrar
South African Medical and Dental Council
P.O. Box 205
Pretoria
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I, _____ (full names and surname)

(Full address) _____

Date of birth _____ Identification number, _____

hereby apply to be registered as a student environmental health officer and in support of my application submit herewith:

- (a) Birth certificate.
- (b) Senior certificate.
- (c) Certificate of having commenced study as a student environmental health inspector for a qualification as health officer which certificate indicates that I enrolled on _____ (date) in the _____ year of study.
- (d) A fee of R10.

Date _____

Signature

*Fill in the academic year (e.g. first, second, etc.).

ANNEXURE B

THE SOUTH AFRICAN MEDICAL AND DENTAL COUNCIL

THE PROFESSIONAL BOARD FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICERS

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AS A STUDENT ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER

It is hereby certified that

_____ has satisfied me that he/she has complied in all respects with the requirements as set out in the regulation for the registration of student environmental health officers and that he/she commenced attendance of a subject or subjects for a qualification as an environmental health officer, approved by the council for registration purposes, at the training institution

on _____ in the _____ year of study.

He/she has been registered as a student health officer with effect from the academic year

Registrar

Date _____
Pretoria.