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MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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REGULATIONS RELATING TO REGISTRATION OF OCCUPATIONAL
THERAPISTS AND ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS, KEEPING OF
REGISTERS AND RESTORATION OF NAME TO REGISTER:
ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 2004

Under section 55 of the Allied Health Professions Act, 2004 (Act No. 7 of 2004), read with sections 20, 21, 22, 24, 26 and 32 of that Act, and on the recommendation of the Allied Health Professions Council of Namibia, I have -

- (a) made the regulations set out in the Schedule; and
- (b) repealed the Rules published under Government Notice No. R 2288 of 3 December 1976, insofar as those Rules are applicable to the registration of occupational therapists.

R.N. KAMWI
MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Windhoek, 18 January 2010

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PART I
PRELIMINARY**Definitions**

1. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise indicates, a word or expression defined in the Act has that meaning, and -

“additional qualification” means an additional qualification referred to in section 32(1)(a) of the Act and prescribed by regulation 3;

“certified” means certified as a true copy of the original by a commissioner of oaths appointed under section 5, or designated under section 6, of the Justices of the Peace and Commissioners of Oaths Act, 1963 (Act No. 16 of 1963); and

“the Act” means the Allied Health Professions Act, 2004 (Act No. 7 of 2004).

PART II
REGISTRATION OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS**Application for registration as an occupational therapist and submitting of particulars**

2. (1) An application for the registration of a person as an occupational therapist submitted to the registrar in terms of subsection (1) of section 20 of the Act must be accompanied, in addition to the documents and particulars specified in subsection (2) of that section, by -

- (a) a certified copy of the identity document or passport of the applicant;
- (b) a certificate issued by the Council in such form as the Council may determine, certifying that the applicant has passed the evaluation referred to in section 21(3) of the Act, if applicable; and
- (c) if the qualification upon which the applicant relies for registration as an occupational therapist is a qualification referred to in section 22(1)(a) of the Act, the original certificate of registration to practise as an occupational therapist in the country where the applicant obtained the qualification, issued by the relevant registration authority of that country.
- (2) If the applicant is not registered with the registration authority referred to in paragraph (c) of subregulation (1), he or she must submit to the registrar, together with his or her application for registration -
- (a) a certificate, issued by that registration authority, certifying that the qualification or qualifications of which the applicant is the holder, entitles him or her to registration as an occupational therapist in the country where the applicant obtained that qualification or those qualifications; or
- (b) if he or she had been so registered previously, a certificate issued by that registration authority, specifying that the applicant had been so registered previously, that his or her name had been removed from the register, and the grounds for the removal.
- (3) The Council may require the applicant to furnish, in such manner as the Council may determine, proof of the applicant's proficiency in the English language.

PART III
REGISTRATION OF ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Registrable additional qualifications

3. The following degrees may be registered as additional qualifications under section 32 of the Act, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Act and of these regulations:

Educational institution or other examining authority	Qualification	Country
University of Limpopo (formerly The Medical University of South Africa)	Doctor of Philosophy in Occupational Therapy	Republic of South Africa
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy	
University of KwaZulu-Natal (formerly the University of Durban-Westville)	Doctor of Philosophy in Occupational Therapy	Republic of South Africa
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy	
University of Cape Town	Doctor of Philosophy in Occupational Therapy	Republic of South Africa

	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Rehabilitation – Course Work)	
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Professional Practice)	
University of the Free State (formerly the University of the Orange Free State)	Doctor of Philosophy in Occupational Therapy	Republic of South Africa
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Biomechanics)	
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Neurology)	
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Paediatrics)	
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Psychiatry)	
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Occupational Science)	
	Post Graduate Diploma Vocational Rehabilitation	
	Post Graduate Diploma Interpersonal Communication and Group Work	
University of Johannesburg (formerly the University of the Witwatersrand)	Doctor of Philosophy in Occupational Therapy	Republic of South Africa
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Occupational Science)	
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Neuro Sciences)	
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Treatment of Perceptual Disorders)	

	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Psychiatry Community Rehabilitation)	
	Advanced Diploma in Occupational Therapy (Neuro Sciences)	
	Advanced Diploma in Occupational Therapy (Treatment of Perceptual Disorder)	
	Advanced Diploma in Occupational Therapy (Psychiatry)	
University of Pretoria	Doctor of Philosophy in Occupational Therapy	Republic of South Africa
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Hand Therapy)	
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Neurology)	
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Paediatrics)	
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Psychiatry)	
	Post Graduate Diploma in Occupational Therapy (Hand Therapy)	
	Post Graduate Diploma in Occupational Therapy (Occupational Group Therapy)	
	Post Graduate Diploma in Occupational Therapy (Vocational Rehabilitation)	
	Honours Degree in Alternative and Augmentative Communication	
University of Stellenbosch	Doctor of Philosophy in Occupational Therapy	Republic of South Africa

	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Advanced Occupational Therapy)	
	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy (Management Research Methods)	
University of the Western Cape	Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy	Republic of South Africa
Hoogeschool van Amsterdam	Master of Science in Occupational Health (Ergotherapy)	The Netherlands

Registration of non-prescribed additional qualification

4. (1) In this regulation, “non-prescribed qualification” means an additional qualification that has not been prescribed by regulation 3 as a registrable additional qualification, but that complies with paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 32 of the Act.

(2) If an application for the registration of a non-prescribed qualification is submitted to the Council in accordance with subsection (2) of section 32 of the Act, the application must be accompanied, in addition to the documents and particulars specified in subsection (3) of that section, by a transcript, issued by the educational institution or examining body where that additional qualification has been obtained, specifying particulars, to the satisfaction of the Council, of the additional qualification, including the curriculum applicable thereto.

PART IV REGISTERS AND RESTORATION OF NAME TO REGISTER

Register of occupational therapists

5. The register of occupational therapists established and kept in accordance with subsection (2)(a) of section 24 of the Act, must contain, in addition to the particulars specified by subsection (3) of that section, particulars of the additional qualifications registered against the name of the occupational therapist in accordance with subsection (4) of section 32 of the Act, including any change in any of the particulars recorded in the register.

Restoration of name to register

6. An application in accordance with section 26 of the Act for the restoration of the name of a person to the register, in addition to the documents and particulars specified in subsection (2) of that section, must be accompanied by -

- (a) the original registration certificate issued in the name of the applicant under section 21(4)(b) of the Act, or if for any reason the original certificate cannot be submitted, proof to the satisfaction of the Council that the applicant had been so registered; and
- (b) a photocopy of the identity document or the passport of the applicant, duly certified by a commissioner of oaths as a true copy of the original.

PART V
GENERAL

Language of forms and documents

7. (1) Subject to subregulation (2), any form or document that must be submitted to the Council or to the registrar in terms of these regulations must be in the English language.

(2) Any form or document referred to in subregulation (1) that is not in the English language must be accompanied by a sworn translation thereof into that language, acceptable to the Council.

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**DECLARATION THAT THE ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 2004
APPLIES TO EMERGENCY CARE TECHNICIANS: ALLIED HEALTH
PROFESSIONS ACT, 2004**

Under section 60 of the Allied Health Professions Act, 2004 (Act No. 7 of 2004), and after consultation with the Allied Health Professions Council of Namibia, I declare that that Act applies to emergency care technicians.

R.N. KAMWI
MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Windhoek, 25 January 2010
