

The General Dental Council (Professions Complementary to Dentistry) (Fees) Regulations 2022

The General Dental Council make the following regulations in exercise of their powers conferred by section 36F(1) and (2) and section 52(1A) and (1B) of the Dentists Act 1984.¹

Citation and commencement

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the General Dental Council (Professions Complementary to Dentistry) (Fees) Regulations 2022.

(2) These Regulations shall come into force on 1 January 2023.

(3) In these Regulations -

“application” means an application for entry of a person’s name within the dental care professionals register under a single title;

“instalment date” means the date each instalment falls due;

“renewal date” means 31 July in each year;

“retention fee” means the fee due under Regulation 2(1)(h);

“Swiss dental care professional” means a qualifying applicant who had not, before Implementation Period completion day, made a registration application (other than an application for registration as a visiting dental care professional).

Fees

2. (1) The Council hereby prescribe the following fees for the purposes of section 36F of the Dentists Act 1984 (Fees) -

(a) for the processing of an application for entry of a person’s name in the dental care professionals register:	£36.33
(b) for the assessment of an application from a Swiss dental care professional ² for first entry of a person’s name in the register:	£506.25
(c) for the assessment of an application for first entry of a person’s name in the dental care professionals register pursuant to subsection (4) of section 36C:	£512.76
(d) for the assessment of any subsequent applications from a Swiss dental care professional for entry of a person’s name in the dental care professionals register under an additional title:	£453.40
(e) for the assessment of any subsequent applications for entry of a person’s name in the dental care professionals register under an additional title pursuant to subsection (4) of section 36C:	£340.40

¹ 1984 c.24; section 36F was inserted by S.I. 2005/2011; section 36F(1) was amended and (1A) inserted by S.I. 2007/3101

² Pursuant to changes enacted by S.I. 2020/1394, inserting S35A into S.I. 2019/593 or section 35A inserted into S.I. 2019/593 by S.I. 2020/1394.

(f) for the first entry of a person's name in the dental care register:

a fee equivalent to £9.50 for every month or part thereof from the first day of the month in which the entry is made until the next renewal date.

(g) for a subsequent entry of a person's name in the dental care professionals register under an additional title:

£12.00

(h) for the retention of a person's name in the dental care professionals register under a title or titles during each period of twelve months following the renewal date:

£114

(i) for the restoration of a person's name to the dental care professionals register under a title or titles:

a fee equivalent to £9.50 for every month or part thereof from the first day of the month in which the entry is made until the next renewal date.

(2) Where two or more applications for entry in the dental care professions register are submitted together, only one fee is payable under sub-paragraph (1)(a).

(3) A person may, with the agreement of the registrar, pay the retention fee in such instalments and by such means of payment as the registrar may determine.

(4) For the purpose of sub-paragraph (3) the registrar may determine -

- (a) the amount of each instalment and the date by which each instalment is to be paid, and
- (b) that payment will be made by direct debit.

(5) When a person is erased for failure to pay the retention fee-

- (a) under regulation 7, or
 - (b) under regulation 8 of the General Dental Council (Dentists) (Fees) Regulations 2022
- they are disqualified from entering into an agreement under sub-paragraph (3) in respect of the retention fee that falls due on the subsequent two annual renewal dates.

Refusal to make an entry etc.

3. The registrar may refuse to make in or restore to the dental care professionals register any entry until a fee prescribed by these Regulations has been paid.

Notice of retention fee

4. The registrar shall send to each person registered in the dental care professionals register no less than 28 days before the renewal date -

- (a) notice of the retention fee, and
- (b) a warning that failure to pay either -
 - (i) the first instalment by the instalment date and the retention fee by the renewal date, or
 - (ii) any subsequent instalment and the outstanding balance of the retention fee by the end of the calendar month within which the missed instalment date fell due,may result in that person's name being erased from registration under all titles under which that person is registered in the dental care professionals register.

5. The notice and warning required to be sent to a person under regulation 4 shall be sent to -
- (a) that person's address in the dental care professionals register,
 - (b) their last known or any other address if it appears to the registrar that a notice and warning so addressed are more likely to reach the person, or
 - (c) by electronic means with the consent of that person.
6. The fact that the notice and warning required to be sent to a person under regulation 4 have not been received by them shall not -
- (a) prevent the registrar from erasing that person's name under regulation 7, or
 - (b) constitute the grounds for the restoration of that person's name following erasure under regulation 7,
- provided that notice and warning have been sent in accordance with regulations 4 and 5.

Erasure for failure to pay the retention fee

7. Where a person fails to pay -
- (a) the first instalment by the instalment date and the retention fee by the renewal date, or
 - (b) any subsequent instalment and the outstanding balance of the retention fee by the end of the calendar month within which the missed instalment date fell due,
- the registrar may erase that person's name from registration all titles under which that person is registered in the dental care professionals register, provided that notice and warning have been sent in accordance with regulations 4 and 5.

8. The registrar may decide not to erase a person's name under regulation 7 where there is an outstanding issue concerning -
- (a) that person's fitness to practise as a member of a profession complementary to dentistry, or
 - (b) an entry in respect of that person in the dental care professionals register.

Revocation and transitional provisions

9. The General Dental Council (Professions Complementary to Dentistry) (Fees) Regulations 2021 are hereby revoked.

10. Any fees due to the Council under or by virtue of the General Dental Council (Professions Complementary to Dentistry) (Fees) Regulations 2021 shall remain due to the Council as though they were payable under these Regulations and the powers contained in these Regulations in the case of non-payment shall apply in the case of such fees.

Given under the official seal of General Dental Council.

Lord Toby Harris
Chair

Ian Brack
Registrar