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DENTAL TECHNICIANS ACT, 1979 (ACT NO. 19 OF 1979)

REGULATIONS REGARDING THE REGISTRATION AND TRAINING OF STUDENT DENTAL TECHNICIANS AND STUDENT DENTAL TECHNOLOGISTS

The Minister of Health has, under section 50(1)(f) of the Dental Technicians Act, 1979 (Act No. 19 of 1979), on the recommendation of the South African Dental Technicians Council, made the regulations in the Schedule.

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments or representations on the proposed regulations to the Director-General of Health, Private Bag X828, Pretoria, 0001, for the attention of the Director: Public Entities Governance: Ms M Mushwana, MushwM@health.gov.za, within three months from the date of the publication of this notice.

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Definitions

 In these regulations any expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act bear that meaning and, unless the context indicates otherwise—

"approved institution" means a public higher education institution or private institution approved by the Council whose purpose is to qualify dental technicians and dental technologists who ultimately have the intention to seek registration as a practitioner in the field of dental technology;

"co-operative education", "work integrating learning " and "practical laboratory exposure" mean education that combines learning in the lecture room with learning in the dental laboratory, where academic knowledge is applied through relevant work experience outside the lecture room and the challenges and insights so gained are brought back to the lecture room for further analysis and reflection, work-integrating-learning and practical laboratory exposure;

"council" means the South African Dental Technicians Council;

"Council on Higher Education" means the body established in terms of section 4 of the Higher Education Act, 1997 (Act No. 101 of 1997);

"education committee" means the committee established by the council in terms of section 11 of the Act;

"education inspector" means an inspector referred to in regulation 16;

"employer" means the owner of a registered dental laboratory and who employs a registered dental technician or dental technologist;

"extended curriculum programme "means learning activities at the lower end of the higher education band that are intended to enable students from disadvantaged educational backgrounds to acquire the academic foundation necessary for succeeding in higher education, and that must lead to a purposeful and structured set of learning outcomes that lead to an approve and recognised professional qualification;

"final summative practical assessment" means the last practical assessment in any appropriate subject in any academic year that is intended to assess the student's fitness for an approved purpose, at a given level, but specifically referring to those assessments at the end of a programme that would be presented to or considered by the council for professional registration purposes;

"Higher Education Quality Committee" means the certification authority established by the Council on Higher Education in terms of section 7(3) of the Higher Education Act, 1997 (Act No. 101 of 1997);

"laboratory" means a dental laboratory registered under section 30 of the Act;

"local advisory committee" means a committee established by an approved institution under regulation 3 and the expression "liaison committee" has a corresponding meaning;

"minimum requirements" means—

- the annual determined requirements approved by the council on the recommendation of an education inspector, in conjunction with the education committee of the council; and
- (b) for the purposes of regulations 18 and 19, the annual determined requirements contemplated in paragraph (a) for practical education and training required by the approved syllabus of an approved institution for the appropriate practical subject, of which the successful completion may be considered by the council for registration purposes;

"NQSF" means a national qualifications sub-framework as contemplated in the National Qualifications Framework Act, 2008 (Act No. 67 of 2008);

"professional study" means study at an approved institution for any of the council approved qualifications and aligned to the prevailing NQSF or any national structure that may replace it from time to time, and the expressions "professional study in dental technology" and "study in dental technology" have corresponding meanings;

"Regulations" means these Regulations;

"senate" means the highest authority at a university of technology or a similar approved structure at a private institution; and

"the Act" means the Dental Technicians Act, (Act No. 19 of 1979).

Approval of training institutions

- 2. (1) An application by a training institution for permission to offer or provide any education or training which is intended to qualify a person to practice the profession of a dental technician or dental technologist, as the case may be, must be submitted by that institution to the council at least six months prior to the commencement of such education or training.
- (2) A training institution must, in support of its application, submit the following information to the council:
- (a) The number of student dental technicians or student dental technologists, as the case may be, that can be trained simultaneously;
- (b) the facilities and, subject to subregulation (5), staff available for the practical and theoretical training of student dental technicians or student dental technologists, as the case may be;
- (c) the equipment and materials that are available for such training;
- (d) the study material that is available for the practical training of student dental technicians or student dental technologists as the case may be; and
- (e) whether offering anyof the approved qualifications at the approved institution has been approved by all other reporting structures both internal and external to the said approved institution, where applicable.
 - (3) On receipt of an application contemplated in subregulation (1), the council may—
- request from the applicant or any other person any further information that it deems necessary to enable it to consider the application; and
- (b) cause a complete inspection of the training institution concerned to be carried out by an education inspector, the council or another structure of council, if deemed necessary.
- (4) The council may determine the number of student dental technicians who may be enrolled asfirst-year students at an approved institution during any one year.
- (5) An approved institution may employ only registered dental technicians or dental technologists registered with the council in the education and training of student dental technicians or student dental technologists in thedental technologyspecificsubjects which are the theoretical and practical subject in the disciplines of dental technology, any subject directly supporting such relatedsubjects, jurisprudence and any related subjects associated with professional ethics and practice: Provided that thelatter clustermay be offered by the registrar or deputy registrar of the council.

Local advisory committee

- 3. (1) An approved institution must establish a local advisory committee, the majority of members of which must consist of registered dental technicians or dental technologists who are in good standing with the council and one dentistregistered under the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974), to practice that profession, if such inclusion is possible or if such inclusion is advisable on a needs basis.
- (2) The local advisory committee must advise the approved institution concerned on any matter relating to the education of student dental technicians and student dental technologists, as the case may be, such as admission requirements, course structuring, research, prescribed training, academic and practical standards and the way in which co-operative education can best be achieved.

Admission of student dental technicians

4. Before an approved institution accepts a person for admission as astudent dental technician, such person must be tested by the institution by means of selection tests approved by the council.

Registration of student dental technician or student dental technologist

- 5. (1) An application for registration as a student dental technician or a student dental technologist, as the case may be, must be made to the council within 90 days after the commencement of the applicant's study in dental technology: Provided that the council may grant an extension of the period, as it considers appropriate.
- (2) An application for registration as a student dental technicians must be accompanied by—
- a certified copy of a birth certificate or, if the applicant is unable to submit a birth certificate, alternative proof of age and correct names to the satisfaction of the registrar;
- (b) a certificate, which is equivalent to any grade 12 or equivalent educational qualification that regulates admission to a higher educational institution at the level of such specific qualification;
- (c) a declaration from the approved institution concerned indicating that the applicant has commenced studies in dental technology at that approved institution, and indicating the year of study for which the applicant is enrolled and the date on which he or she was so enrolled; and

- (d) a registration fee as determined by council from time to time.
- (3) A student dental technician must not be registered by the council if any of the documents referred to in subregulation (1)(a), (b) or (c) have not been received as well as the payment referred to in subregulation(2)(d)by 30 April of the applicable year of study.
- (4) An approved institution may, on the grounds of previous education or training of a student dental technician in dental technology, grant such a student exemption from studies for a specific study year, as long as the requirements of council are upheld.
- (5) A student dental technician whose registration as such has expired but, who, within one year thereafter, resumes his or her professional study, must submit an application for re-registration to the councilwithin 14 days of the resumption of his or her professional study: Provided that the council may extend the period of 14 days, as it considers appropriate.
- (6) An application referred to in subregulation (5) must be accompanied by—
- (a) adeclarationindicating that the applicant has resumed his or her professional study;
- (b) the original registration certificate issued by the council; and
- (c) an amount as determined by the council from time to time.
- (7) Despite regulation 7, the name of a student dental technician who interrupts his or her professional study for not more than one year and who applies in writing to the council to continue his or her studies in the following year, must not be removed from the register of student dental technicians during the said period.
- (8) A person who applies for re-registration in terms of subregulation (5) but who is not able to submit his or her original certificate as required terms of regulation 6(b)must apply to the council for a certified copy of his or her original registration certificate, for which a fee as determined by council from time to time mustis payable.
- (9) An application for re-registration as a student dental technologistmust be accompanied by—
- (a) a certified copy of the relevant approved and recognised qualification in dental technology of the applicant concerned, or other proof from the approved institution that the applicant has complied with the requirements for the prerequisite qualification;
- (b) adeclarationfrom the approved institution concerned indicating that the applicant has commenced studies towards the appropriate qualification at that approved institution, and the date on which he or she was so enrolled; and
- (c) a registration fee as determined by the council from time to time.

- (10) A student dental technologist must not be registered or re-registered by the council if any of the documents referred to in subregulation (9)(a) or (b)as well as the payment referred to in subregulation (9)(c) have not been received by 30 April of the applicable year of study.
- (11) Any application for registration or re-registration, together with the applicable documents and fees, submitted after the period of 90 days referred to in subregulation 1, or the period of 14 days referred to in subregulation 5(5), as the case may be, must be subject to an additional registration fee as determined by the council for each month or portion of a month that the application is overdue, subject to any extension that the council may grant.
- (12) No person must be registered or re-registered unless he or she has complied with subregulation 2, 5 or 8, as the case may be, and with subregulation 11, where applicable.
- (13) A registration certificate in a format approved by the council must be issued to each student dental technician and student dental technologist, as the case may be.

Information to be supplied by approved institution

- (1) An approved institution must, as soon as possible after 15 March of each year, submit a list to the council indicating the full names of all—
- (a) student dental technicians and student dental technologists, as the case may be,enrolled at such approved institution on 15 March of that year;
- (b) student dental technicians or student dental technologists, as the case may be, who abandoned their studies during the preceding 12 months, and, in cases where students have discontinued their professional study, the date of such discontinuation;
- (c) student dental technicians or student dental technologists, as the case may be, who temporarily abandoned their studies during the preceding 12 months, together with the reasons for such temporary abandonment and the date, where possible, on which such persons anticipate resuming their studies; and
- (d) student dental technicians or student dental technologists, as the case may be, who, after the temporary abandonment of their studies, resumed their studies during the preceding 12 months.
- (2) Every approved institution must notify the council within 30 days after a student dental technician or dental technologist, as the case may be, has been found guilty by such an approved institution, of misconduct in terms of the rules and regulations of the

approved institution concerned, and must furnish the council with full particulars of such conduct.

(3) If a student is in contravention of the statutes under the administration of the council, such contravention must be reported to the registrar of the council for decision and possible action.

Removal of names from register of student dental technicians or student dental technologists

- 7. The registrar must remove the name of a student dental technician or a student dental technologist, as the case may be, from the register of student dental technicians or student dental technologists as the case may be, that is kept in terms of section 20 of the Act—
- (a) as soon as he or she has been registered as a dental technician or dental technologist or 30 days after the registrar receives notice of the name of such student in accordance with regulation 11; or
- (b) as soon as evidence has been submitted to the satisfaction of the registrar that the student dental technician or student dental technologist, as the case may be, has abandoned his or her professional study in South Africa.

Minimum curriculum for dental technology

- 8. (1) (a) The period of professional study in dental technology must be from the date of registration as a student dental technician or a student dental technologist, as the case may be, at an approved institution until the date on which the appropriate recognised qualification, entitling such student dental technician or student dental technologist, as the case may be, to register as a dental technician or dental technologist, is awarded
- (b) The period referred to in paragraph(a) must consist of at least the minimum time prescribed for that qualification level as it appears on the NQSF, inclusive of both academic training at an approved institution and such practical laboratory exposure as may be determined under regulation 12.
- (2) From the first year of study all subjects must be aimed at training in dental technology.
- (3) The syllabus for professional study forany of the council approved qualifications at any of the NQSF must consist of systematic instruction and, where applicable, practical work, and must cover the following:

- (a) All aspects of modern dental technology that are benchmarked internationally;
- (b) Dental Materials Science supportive of the aspects referred to in paragraph (a) and underpinned by the appropriate applied and biosciences;
- (c) Dental Technology and other related legislation that impacts on the profession of dental technology;
- (d) professional conduct and ethics;
- (e) general business competence focused on the application in dental technology;
- (f) profession specific and work-integrating-learning, aimed at preparing students for the world of work in general, but focused on the profession of dental technology, which must enable student dental technicians to successfully participate as employees in a registered dental laboratory, and student dental technologists as employers, entrepreneurs or supervisors of dental laboratories; and
- (g) the ability to engage and conduct profession-directed-research that must contribute to the development of the dental technology profession.

Syllabus

- 9. (1) The curriculum and syllabus must be determined by each approved training institution in accordance with the profession and local liaison committee and must be presented to the council for approval as must be the case when any changes to the approved curriculum and syllabus are made.
- (2) The curriculum and syllabus contemplated in subregulation (1) must contain all the aspects provided for in regulation 8(3).

Examinations

- (1) An approved institution must—
- (a) evaluate the progress of a student dental technician or a student dental technologist, as the case may be, in respect of the subjects referred to in regulation 8(3) and conduct the examinations in those subjects in accordance with the rules framed by the academic board of such approved institution as approved by the council; and
- (b) at the end of the period contemplated in regulation 8(1), examine the student dental technician or student dental technologist, as the case may be, by means of a practical examination in dental technology in accordance with the rules framed by the academic board of such approved institution, where the Act and the Regulations are silent, but such rules may not be in contravention of the Act and the Regulations.

- (2) A student dental technician or student dental technologist must not be permitted to continue with a higher level of a subject unless he or she has passed the preceding level.
- (3) A student dental technician or student dental technologist, as the case may be, may receive recognition from the senate or from a similar structure with the same mandate, of an approved training institution, for a subject when he or she has passed the examination in such subject in accordance with these Regulations.
- (4) (a) A student dental technician or student dental technologist, as the case may be, must not be allowed to complete any qualification in dental technology in more than double the normal time period prescribed for that qualification, and must not be allowed to repeat any level of any recognised and approved qualification more than once.
- (b) In the event where a student dental technician or a student dental technologist, as the case may be, enrolls on the Extended Curriculum Programme, a further one year must be allowed.
- (c) The council may, based on verifiable evidence, consider appeals from students and grant the necessary extensions if, in the council's opinion, grounds for such extension exist.
- (d) The extension contemplated in paragraph (c)must be subject to the promotion and re-admission rules of the approved institution and any concessions granted under such rules.
- (5) If a student dental technician or student dental technologist, as the case may be, fails his or her first year of study, he or she must be permitted by the council to continue with his or her appropriate qualification if—
- (a) he or she applies for re-selection and re-registration for the following year, together with other new applicants; and
- (b) his or her application is successful.
- (6) A student dental technician must not be admitted to the examination at the end of his or her third year of study unless he or she—
- (a) has successfully completed an accredited first-aid course; and
- (b) is in possession of a current competence certificate issued by an accredited first-aid provider.
- (7) Despite the requirements of the Act and Regulations and subject to the conditions laid down by the Department of Higher Education and Training and the Higher Education Quality Committee of the Council on Higher Education, every approved institution must have the right to prescribe its own rules regarding theoretical and practical evaluation of student dental technicians or student dental technologists, as the case may be.

Completion of academic years of study

- 11. (a) An approved institution must, on or before 31 December of each year, furnish the registrar in writing with the name of each student dental technician and student dental technologist as the case may be, at such approved institution, who has complied with the requirements for the appropriate, approved and recognised qualification regardless of whether the qualification is withheld on institutional grounds.
- (b) The withheld qualifications must be communicated to the council as an addendum to this requirement.

Proficiency

- 12. (1) An approved institution, in collaboration with the local advisory committee, must determine at what stage and for what period a student dental technician or a student dental technologist as the case may be, must undergo practical laboratory exposure.
- (2) (a) For the purposes of subregulation (1), the owner of a dental laboratory must not employ a student dental technician or a student dental technologist, as the case may be, unless such dental laboratory is registered with the council and has obtained written approval from the approved institution, to employ such student.
- (b) An approval contemplated in paragraph (a) must not be issued unless the approved institution is satisfied that proper practical training as a student dental technician or astudent dental technologist, as the case may be, must be conducted at such registered laboratory.
- (3) An approved institution, in collaboration with the local advisory committee, must ensure that the proficiency acquired through practical laboratory exposure and other practical work, together with academic training, is sufficient for a student dental technician or a student dental technologist to be employed as a dental technician or dental technologist, as the case may be.
- (4) (a)Despite regulation 8, a student dental technologist must be trained in general dental laboratory management, which must form an integral part of his or her academic training.
- (b) The dental technology specific subjects and business practice related subjects must form the basis of training of student dental technologists in general dental laboratory management.

Qualification to practice profession as dental technician

- 13. (1) An approved institution must award the appropriate qualification as approved by council to a student dental technician, if the student has passed the examinations prescribed for that qualification and otherwise complied with the requirements determined by the senate of that approved institution for that qualification.
- (2) The appropriate qualification as approved by council and awarded by an approved institution must be recognised by the Council as a qualification which entitles the holder thereof to registration as a dental technician in terms of section 18of the Act and to practise the profession as a dental technician.
- (3) A dental technician must be entitled to practice his or her profession in the capacity of an employee only, and may not supervise a dental laboratory.
- (4) For the purpose of this regulation, the qualification for registration and to practise the profession as a dental technician includes the Diploma: Dental Technology (240 credits), the Diploma: Dental Technology (360 credits), the Advanced Diploma: Dental Technology, the National Diploma: Dental Technology or qualifications previously issued or recognised by council for this purpose.

Qualification to practice profession as dental technologist

- 14. (1) An approved institution must award the appropriate qualification as approved by council to a student dental technologist if the student has passed the examinations prescribed for that qualification and otherwise complied with the requirements determined by the senate of that institution forthat qualification.
- (2) The appropriate qualification as approved by council and awarded by an approved institutionmust be recognised by the council as the qualification which entitles the holder thereof to registration as a dental technologist in terms of section 18 of the Actand to practise the profession as a dental technologist.
- (3) A dental technologist must be entitled to practice his or her profession in the capacity of an employee or an employer.
- (4) For the purposes of this regulation, the qualification for registration and to practise the profession as a dental technologist includes the Professional Degree: Dental Technology, the Post Graduate Diploma: Dental Technology, BTech: Dental Technology, the National Higher Diploma: Dental Technology, Diploma: Dental Technology, or any qualifications previously issued or recognised by council for this purpose.

Moderator and examiners

15. The council must appoint an external moderator and four external examiners, one from each of the disciplines of Complete Dentures, Removable Partial Dentures, Fixed Prosthodontics and Orthodontics, from the practicing profession of dental technology to assist with the evaluation of the final practical assessment referred to in regulation 10(1)(b).

Education inspectors

- 16. (1) In order to enable the council to determine whether the minimum requirements and standards at an approved institution are being met and whether the evaluation is effective as a means of determining the competence of the students concerned, the council may annually, at its first meeting, appoint one or more dental technicians or dental technologists as education inspectors to carry out investigations into such matters at approved institutions and to report to the council thereon.
- (2) The fees and allowances payable to an education inspector for the performance of his or her functions must be the same as those payable to a member of the council.

Investigation into education and training at approved institution

- 17. (1) An education inspector, on the instruction of the council, may be present whenever the approved institution concerned conducts a final assessment in respect of academic progress made by student dental technicians or student dental technologists, as the case may be, and may investigate any matter concerned with the education of such students, and must report to the council on such examination or investigation.
- (2) An investigation must not be carried out by an education inspector unless—
- (a) the council has decided that an investigation is to be carried out at that specific approved institution; or
- (b) anapprovedinstitution requests the council, in writing, to cause an investigation to be carried out, and the council approves such investigation.
- (3) The examination or matter in connection with which the education inspector submits a report must be mentioned specifically in the report.
- (4) The education inspector must declare in his or her report whether or not the minimum requirements and standards for education and training, as prescribed by the council, are being maintained, and whether the assessment is effective as a means of

determining the competence of student dental technicians or student dental technologists, as the case may be.

- (5) The education inspectormust attach to his or her report, any other evaluation reports, question papers, memoranda, work models, examples of completed tasks or any other documents or observations relevant to the report.
- (6) The education inspectormust submit his or her report to the registrar within one month of the completion of the investigation.
- (7) The registrar must submit the report to the education committee of the council which may, if it is of the opinion that the report is lacking in any respect, may order that the education inspector submit an amended or additional report.
- (8) The report must thereafter be submitted to the Rector and Vice-Chancellorof the approved institution concerned for comment, and the commentsmust be furnished within one month of receipt of the report to the registrar.
- (9) The report and the comments, if any, of the approved institution concerned, must be submitted to the education committee of the council for its first meeting thereafter or a special meeting may be convened for this purpose.
- (10) If the education committee of the council is of the opinion that the report reveals deficiencies in the education and training or in theassessment of the competence of student dental technicians or student dental technologists, as the case may be, the education committee must report to the council accordingly and the council may take such steps as it deems necessary to ensure that the deficiencies are remedied.

Evaluation of final practical examination question papers, work models and examples of completed tasks

- 18. For purposes of the final summative assessment of the appropriate council approved and recognised qualification, the summative practical assessment question paper, work models and examples of completed tasks must be approved by the council in accordance with the following procedure:
- (a) Unless an approved institution provides a well-motivated explanation that is acceptable to the registrar, for an extension, an approved institution must send the following items to the registrar by registered postor by courier on or before 15 August of the particular year:
 - a copy of the final practical summative assessment paper;
 - (ii) work models;
 - (iii) examples of completed tasks; and
 - (iv) a copy of the practical year syllabus;

- (b) the registrar must send the items referred to in paragraph (a) to the education inspector on or before 20 August of that year;
- (c) the education inspector must consider the items referred to in paragraph (a) and must advise the council in his or her report in the format required by the council whether, in his or her opinion, the minimum requirements have been met;
- (d) if the education inspector is of the opinion that the minimum requirements have not been met, the education inspector must make the necessary suggestions for changes in his or her report;
- (e) the education inspector must submit his or her report and the items referred to in paragraph (a) to the registrar on or before 3 September of that year and the registrar must must submit the report and the items to the education committee of the council for consideration;
- (f) the registrar must inform the relevant department of an approved institution on or as soon after 3 September of that year, of the conclusion reached by the education committee and, where applicable, of the suggestions made by the Education Committee;
- (g) an approved institution whose summative assessment paper does not comply with the minimum requirements must submit a new or revised practical summative assessment question paper, together with work models and examples of completed tasks, to the registrar before25September of that year;
- (h) the registrar must tre-submit the items referred to in paragraph (g) to the education inspector on or before 30 September of that year;
- (i) the education inspector must submit a new report in the format required by the council and the items referred to in paragraph (g) to the registrar before 5 October of that year, stating in the report whether, in his or her opinion, the new or revised items comply with the minimum requirements;
- the registrar must submit the new report and new or revised items to the education committee of the council for consideration;
- (k) if the education committee of the council is of the opinion that the report referred to in paragraph (i) reveals that the minimum requirements are not being met or that the approved institution failed to comply with the dates referred to in paragraphs (a) and (g), the education committee must report to the council accordingly and the council may take such steps as it may deem necessary;
- (I) the onus must be on the approved institution, the council or the education inspector, as the case may be, to provide proof that documents, models and examples have been dispatched; and

(m) no approved institution may commence with the summative practical assessment before approval is granted by the council.

Evaluation of final practical examination

- 19. (1) The education inspector must, if the council so directs, be present for such period as the council may determine, at the final summative practical assessment of any or all the dental technology specific subjects that has a compulsory practical component and which is reflective of the professional skills of the student dental technician or student dental technologist, as the case may be, and which is part of the appropriate, approved and recognised qualification conducted by an approved institution.
- (2) The education inspector must declare in his or her report contemplated in regulation 16(1), report to the council whether in his or her opinion—
- the summative practical assessment was an effective and valid means of evaluating the students concerned;
- the summative practical assessment was completed in a manner consistent with the minimum requirements; and
- (c) the summative practical assessment tasks were of such a standard as to show that the students concerned are able to practice the profession of dental technician or dental technologist, as the case may be.
- (3) For the purposes of subregulation (2), the education inspector must complete a mark sheet containing a comparison of the mark allocation for the various subsections as allocated by the approved institution's internal and external assessors, examiners and the moderator referred to in regulation 15, as well as a supplementary report in a prescribed format as required by council, as part of his or her report contemplated in regulation 16(1), whereupon the following procedure must be applicable:
- the education inspector must submit his or her report to the registrar not later than 31
 December of that year;
- (b) the registrar mustm submit the report to the education committee of the council which, if the report is lacking in any respect, may order that the education inspector submit an amended or additional report;
- (c) the report, together with the amended or additional report must, if necessary, be submitted to the Rectorand Vice-Chancellor of the approved institution concerned for comment, who must respond within one month of receipt of the report; and
- (d) the report and the response contemplated in paragraph (c), if any, must be submitted to the educationcommittee of the council for its first meeting thereafter or, if necessary, for a special meeting convened for that purpose.

- (4) The moderator and examiners appointed in terms of regulation 15must, as soon as possible after each final practical examination, submit a report to the council—
- regarding the marks achieved by each student dental technician or student dental technologist concerned, as the case may be; and
- (b) on how the summative practical assessment was conducted, the standard of the completed tasks produced during such assessment and any other matter which in their opinion should be brought to the council's attention.
- (5) (a) If the education committee of the council is of the opinion that the results of the summative practical assessment, taken as a whole, do not at least reflect the minimum standard or that the conditions under which the assessment was conducted were unacceptable or if the results of the approved institution reveals irregularities or inconsistencies, as reflected in the reporting referred to in subregulation (3), such education committee must report to the council accordingly and the council must take such steps against the approved institution as it may deem necessary.
- (b) If the council is of the view that the examination results of the summative practical assessment, taken as a whole, do not at least reflect the minimum standard, the council may request one or more particular students to be re-examined by the approved institution as a condition for his or her registration as a dental technician or dental technologist, as the case may be.

Offences

20. Any owner of a registered dental laboratory who fails to comply with regulation 12(2) must be guilty of an offence and upon conviction liable to a fine as determined by the council.

Repeal

21. The regulations published under Government Notice No. R 156 of 23 February 2001, are hereby repealed.

Short title

22. These regulations are called the Regulations Regarding the Registration and Training of Student Dental Technologists and come into effect on the date of publication in the Gazette.