

College of Denturists of Ontario

Proposed Registration Regulations

INTERPRETATION

1. In this Regulation, “Active Practice” means the provision of direct client care in the fitting and dispensing of oral prosthetics which includes diagnostics, treatment planning, clinical and lab components of oral prosthetic procedures.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS

2. The following are the prescribed classes for a certificate of registration:

- (a) General; and
- (b) Teaching.

3. A member shall not hold more than one class of certificate of registration at any particular time.

4. A person may apply for a certificate of registration by submitting a completed application to the Registrar, in the form specified by the Registrar, together with all required supporting documentation and the application fee.

5. It is a requirement for the issuance of a certificate of registration of any class that the applicant pay the following fees, in addition to the application fee:

- (a) The registration fee required by the by-laws of the College; and
- (b) The annual fee, if any, for the year in which the certificate is issued, as required by the by-laws of the College.

6. The following are non-exemptible registration requirements for all classes of a certificate of registration:

- (a) The applicant submits a completed application to the Registrar in the form specified by the Registrar together with the application fee;
- (b) The applicant must be a Canadian citizen, a permanent resident of Canada or have authorization under the Immigration Act (Canada) to engage in the practice of denturism in Canada;
- (c) The applicant must have reasonable verbal and written fluency in either English or French;
- (d) The applicant must not suffer from a physical, mental condition or any other disorder that makes it in the public interest that he or she not engage in the practice of denturism;
- (e) The applicant’s past and present conduct must afford reasonable grounds for belief that the applicant has the knowledge, skills and judgment to practice safely, competently, ethically and in accordance with the law;
- (f) The applicant must not have been the subject of a finding in any jurisdiction of professional misconduct, incompetence or incapacity in relation to denturism or any other regulated profession;

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- (g) The applicant must not be the subject in any jurisdiction of a pending professional misconduct, incompetence or incapacity proceeding in relation to denturism or any other regulated profession;
- (h) The applicant must not be the subject in any jurisdiction of a pending proceeding relating to an offence under any Act regulating the practice of denturism or any other regulated profession, or relating to any criminal offence;
- (i) The applicant must not have been found guilty in any jurisdiction of an offence under any Act regulating the practice of denturism or any other regulated profession, or relating to any criminal offence; and
- (j) The applicant must provide proof of having obtained professional malpractice insurance and liability insurance, valid in the province of Ontario, in the amount required by the by-laws of the College.

7. With respect to sections 6(f)-6(h), if an applicant is unable to obtain a letter of standing from the necessary regulatory body, the applicant must submit a sworn affidavit stating the name of the document that the applicant is unable to obtain, the jurisdiction that the document is from, and the reasons for which the applicant is unable to obtain the document.

8. An applicant shall be deemed not to have satisfied the requirements for a certificate of registration if he or she makes a false or misleading statement or representation or an omission on or in connection with his or her application.

9. An applicant must provide to the Registrar, within 15 days of the event, details of any of the following that relate to the applicant, both at the time of application and at any time after application:

- (a) A charge for or finding in any jurisdiction that the applicant has committed a criminal offence or an offence relevant to the applicant's suitability to the practice of denturism;
- (b) A finding in any jurisdiction of professional misconduct, incompetence, incapacity or other similar findings in relation to the practice of denturism or any other regulated profession;
- (c) A proceeding in any jurisdiction for professional misconduct, incompetence, incapacity or similar conduct in relation to the practice of denturism or any other regulated profession;
- (d) A physical, mental condition or any other disorder that makes it in the public interest that he or she not practice denturism; or
- (e) Any other matter that may reasonably be viewed as relevant to the applicant's ability or suitability to practice denturism safely, competently, ethically and in accordance with the law.

CERTIFICATES OF REGISTRATION – GENERAL CLASS

10. A member who holds a General certificate of registration may be registered in one of the following categories:

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- (a) Active;
- (b) Inactive; or
- (c) Retired Life member.

Inactive and Retired Life members are not permitted to practice denturism in Ontario.

11. The following are non-exemptible registration requirements for issuing a General certificate of registration, and the applicant must have one of the following:
- (a) The applicant must have:
 - (i) Graduated from a denturism degree or diploma program accredited by the College, which at the time of the applicant's graduation, included courses in the areas listed in the Schedule to this regulation; or graduated from any other program or institution that, in the opinion of the Registration Committee, was substantially equivalent to denturism degree or diploma programs accredited by the College at the time of the applicant's graduation; and
 - (ii) Successful completion of a qualifying examination in denturism set or approved by the Registration Committee; or
 - (b) Current registration as a denturist in good standing in another Canadian jurisdiction in which the practice of denturism is regulated by government legislation, in which case, the applicant must have:
 - (i) a letter of good standing satisfactory to the Registration Committee;
 - (ii) undergo a criminal background check; and
 - (iii) Demonstrate knowledge of Ontario jurisprudence.
12. If the applicant is applying for a certificate of registration in accordance with section 11(b), the applicant's license or certificate of registration in another Canadian jurisdiction must not be encumbered or restricted in any way and the applicant must not be the subject of a discipline or fitness to practice order or ongoing investigation or interim order or agreement as a result of a complaint, investigation or proceeding in any other jurisdiction.
13. An applicant's application for a certificate of registration expires if the applicant does not initiate the qualifying examination within 12 months of the date at which the application was signed, unless otherwise determined by the Registration Committee.
14. An applicant's application for a certificate of registration expires if the applicant does not continually participate in the qualifying examination process from the first available opportunity until it is successfully completed or, if the applicant is unsuccessful after the maximum number of attempts available to him or her as established by College policy, unless otherwise determined by the Registration Committee.
15. The applicant may be permitted a final attempt at successfully completing the qualifying examination, at the discretion of the Registration Committee, who may impose remedial conditions before permitting the final attempt at successfully completing the qualifying examination.

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16. An applicant must register with the College within 6 months of receiving notification of having successfully completed the qualifying examination; otherwise the application for a certificate of registration will expire.
17. An applicant must be registered under the Active registration category within 12 months of receiving notification of having successfully completed the qualifying examination, otherwise the application for a certificate of registration will expire.
18. For the purposes of sections 16 and 17, an applicant will be deemed to have received notification of having successfully completed the qualifying examination, 5 business days from the date such notice was mailed to the address on the application for the certificate of registration.
19. A member is required to renew his or her certificate of registration with the College each year in accordance with the registration process and policies set by the College.
20. The College may refuse to issue or renew a member's certificate of registration or permit an Inactive member to convert to Active member status, and deem the certificate of registration to have expired on the date the annual fee is due, in the following circumstances:
- (a) The member has had fewer than 1,500 hours of Active Practice in the preceding 3 years;
 - (b) The member has not taught denturism at an accredited institution within Canada for a period of at least 12 months in the preceding 3 years and has not demonstrated Active Practice for a period of at least 12 months in the preceding 3 years;
 - (c) The Registration Committee required the member to complete the College's qualifying examination and the member failed to successfully complete the most recent qualifying examination; or
 - (d) The Registration Committee required the member to complete remedial courses and the member failed to successfully complete those courses.
21. A member who returns to the Active member status from the Inactive member status must remain as an Active member until the member has accumulated 1,500 Active Practice hours, unless otherwise determined by the Registration Committee.

CERTIFICATES OF REGISTRATION – TEACHING CLASS

22. The following are the non-exemptible requirements for issuing a Teaching certificate of registration:
- (a) Current registration as a dentist in good standing, without restriction, in another Canadian jurisdiction, in which the practice of denturism is regulated by government legislation;
 - (b) The applicant must have an appointment to teach a recognized continuing education program in denturism, primarily for denturists, lasting no more than 30 days; and

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(c) The applicant must provide a written undertaking, signed by a current member in good standing of the College holding a General certificate of registration, stating that the member will provide continuing care for the patients attended to by the applicant in Ontario.

23. A Teaching certificate of registration may be issued for no more than 30 days.

24. An applicant may not apply for more than 3 teaching certificates of registration for each 12 month period.

EXPIRATION, RESIGNATION, SUSPENSION, REVOCATION

25. A member who resigns or whose certificate of registration is suspended or revoked must return his or her certificate of registration to the College at the Registrar's request.

Expiration

26. An applicant whose application for a certificate of registration has expired must submit a newly completed application and registration fee to the Registrar in order to re-apply for a certificate of registration.

27. An applicant whose application for a certificate of registration has expired must also provide proof that he or she has attended 1 full year at a denturism program accredited by the College or at any other program or institution that, in the opinion of the Registration Committee, was substantially equivalent to denturism programs accredited by the College, in order to re-apply for certification.

Resignation

28. A member may resign any class of certificate of registration by providing the Registrar with written notice to that effect.

29. The member's resignation shall take effect on the day that the written notice described in section 28 is received by the Registrar.

Suspension

30. The Registrar may suspend a member's certificate of registration if the member:

(a) Ceases to be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada or ceases to have authorization under the Immigration Act (Canada) to engage in the practice of denturism in Canada;

(b) Fails to provide proof of professional malpractice insurance, valid in the province of Ontario, in the amount required by the by-laws of the College within 7 calendar days of a request for it, unless the member is in the Inactive or Retired Life Member status;

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- (c) Makes a false or misleading statement on an application for a certificate of registration or on any subsequent certificate of registration renewal form;
- (d) Fails to submit a properly completed certificate of registration renewal form annually as directed by the Registrar or fails to report changes in information in the manner and time required by by-laws;
- (e) Was registered in the Active member status and failed to maintain a minimum of 1,500 hours of clinical practice in any Canadian jurisdiction in the preceding 3 registration years, unless otherwise determined by the Registration Committee;
- (f) Practices denturism or offers to provide denturism services while registered with the College as an Inactive member; or
- (g) Fails to report within 30 days of the member's learning of any of the following:
 - (i) a charge for or finding that the member has committed a criminal offence or an offence relevant to the member's suitability to the practice of denturism;
 - (ii) a finding against the member of professional misconduct, incompetence, incapacity or other similar findings in any jurisdiction in relation to the practice of denturism or any other regulated profession;
 - (iii) a proceeding against the member for professional misconduct, incompetence, incapacity or similar conduct, in any jurisdiction in relation to the practice of denturism or any other regulated profession; or
 - (iv) any other matter that may reasonably be viewed as relevant to the member's ability or suitability to practice denturism safely, competently, ethically and in accordance with the law.

31. A former member whose certificate of registration was suspended under section 30 may, within 2 years of the commencement date of the suspension, apply for the reinstatement of the General or Teaching certificate of registration that he or she previously held by submitting a completed application for reinstatement in the form specified by the Registrar.

32. The Registrar may reinstate the former member's certificate of registration if:

- (a) the former member has paid the specified administration fee and any other money owing to the College at the date the application for reinstatement is received;
- (b) the former member has remedied, to the satisfaction of the Registrar, the condition that led to the suspension; and
- (c) the former member (other than a Retired life member) has had a minimum of 1,500 hours of Active Practice in the preceding 3 years;

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33. The College may revoke a member's certificate of registration if the member has not applied for reinstatement more than 2 years after the commencement date of the suspension.

SCHEDULE

Basic Sciences:

General Anatomy and Physiology
Orofacial Anatomy
General Histology
Microbiology and Infection Control

Dental Sciences:

Dental Histology and Embryology
Periodontology
Oral Pathology and Medicine
Dental Kinesiology (Biomechanics)
Dental Psychology
Dental Psychology and the Aging Process
Pharmacology and Emergency Care
Preventative Dentistry

Health Promotion:

Public Health
Nutrition

Management:

Ethics and Professional Responsibilities, Legislation
jurisprudence
Small Business Management
Management of Denturism practice
Computer Skills
History of the profession of Denturism

Denturist Practice:

Dental Materials
Preclinical Prosthodontics Treatment Planning
Clinical Prosthodontics
Radiography
Radiography ordering
Radiographic Pattern interpretation
Diagnosis as it pertains to Denturism
Removable Partial Dentures (R.P.D.)
Implant Retained Protheses
Complete/Immediate dentures: theory, laboratory, and clinical
Partial/Immediate Dentures: theory, laboratory, and clinical

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Implant Prosthodontics: theory, laboratory, and clinical

Asepsis and Laboratory Safety

Clinical Internship/Mentorship

Sub gingival probing

Implant Abutment Selection and Placement

Subgingival implant abutment selection and placement

Tooth/Teeth Preparations for Partials

Fixed implant supported bridges (for two or more units)

Preventive Care and Maintenance for Implant Supported Prosthodontics (Supragingival)