DRAFT Notice under the Legislation Act 2019 of prescribed qualifications for Scope of Practice for Dental Technology

Under the Legislation Act 2019

Under the Legislation Act 2019, notice is given of the making of the following secondary legislation:

Title	Empowering provision(s)	Administering agency	Date made
Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003	Section 12	Dental Council	X

This secondary legislation can be accessed at: https://dcnz.org.nz/resources-and-publications/resources/gazette-notices/.

The following replaces the prescribed qualifications for the Scope of Practice for Dental Technology as published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, 12 November 2021, Notice No. 2021-sl4806. The scope of practice and competencies for dental technology published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, 12 November 2021, Notice No. 2021-sl4806 remain unchanged.

Prescribed qualifications for the scope of practice for dental technology

New Zealand accredited programmes

- Bachelor of Dental Technology, University of Otago
- Bachelor of Dental Technology with Honours, University of Otago¹
- Diploma in Dental Technology, issued by a New Zealand educational institution², and commenced prior to 18 September 2004.

Competent Authority- Registration³

- current full/unrestricted/unconditional dental technology or equivalent registration with a competent authority(s) recognised by Council⁴; and
- dental technology practice in the recognised competent authority(s) for at least 33 months (working 20 hours per week or more) during the 48 months prior to application.

Examination

 An approved overseas dental technology or clinical dental technology qualification and a pass in the New Zealand Dental Technology Registration Examination.

¹ Accreditation ended 31 December 2023

² Training commenced prior to 18 September 2004

³ Upon commencement of practice in New Zealand, practitioners registered under the competent authority -registration pathway will practise under the oversight of a Council-approved practitioner for a period of at least six months under the terms of the oversight protocol

⁴ United Kingdom (General Dental Council), USA (State dental boards) for the purposes of dental technology

Dated this x day of x 2025. Marie MacKay, Chief Executive, Dental Council

