

Oral Health Practitioners (Fees) Notice 2023 (No. 1)

Pursuant to sections 130–133 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (“Act”), the following notice is given.

Notice**1. Title and Commencement**

(1) This notice may be cited as the Oral Health Practitioners (Fees) Notice 2023 (No. 1) and shall come into force on **1 April 2023**.

(2) This notice has the status of a disallowable instrument for the purposes of the Legislation Act 2012.

(3) This notice replaces the Oral Health Practitioners (Fees) Notice 2021 (No. 2) notice published in the [New Zealand Gazette, 17 December 2021, Notice No. 2021-gs5313](#).

2. Fees

The Dental Council sets the following fees specified in the attached Schedule.

3. Tax

The fees are stated exclusive of goods and services tax (GST). All fees are subject to the addition of GST at the applicable rate.

Schedule

Fees Payable to the Dental Council effective from 1 March 2023 for all fees except the Dentist and Dental Specialist Annual Practising Certificate Fee and Disciplinary Levy which are effective from 1 September 2023. \$

Registration Fees***New Zealand Qualified or NZDREX Applicant***

Application for registration 550.05

Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (TTMR) Applicant***Dentists and Dental Specialists***

Application for registration and annual practising certificate comprising:

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| (a) Application for registration | 550.05 |
| (b) Annual practising certificate fee | 1,072.19 |
| (c) Disciplinary levy | (61.83) |

TTMR applicants for registration (not previously registered in New Zealand) who apply for a practising certificate within four months of the end of the annual practising cycle ending on 30 September 2024, pay a four-month practising fee of \$357.40 and disciplinary levy of \$nil.

Oral Health Therapists

Application for registration and annual practising certificate comprising:

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| (a) Application for registration | 550.05 |
| (b) Annual practising certificate fee | 767.03 |
| (c) Disciplinary levy | (5.34) |

TTMR applicants for registration (not previously registered in New Zealand) who apply for a practising certificate within four months of the end of the annual practising cycle ending on 31 March 2024, pay a four-month practising fee of \$255.68 and disciplinary levy of \$nil.

Dental Hygienists and Orthodontic Auxiliaries

Application for registration and annual practising certificate comprising:

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| (a) Application for registration | 550.05 |
| (b) Annual practising certificate fee | 793.88 |
| (c) Disciplinary levy | (4.93) |

TTMR applicants for registration (not previously registered in New Zealand) who apply for a practising certificate within four months of the end of the annual practising cycle ending on 31 March 2024, pay a four-month practising fee of \$264.63 and disciplinary levy of \$nil.

Dental Therapists

Application for registration and annual practising certificate comprising:

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| (a) Application for registration | 550.05 |
| (b) Annual practising certificate fee | 1,063.17 |
| (c) Disciplinary levy | (84.85) |

TTMR applicants for registration (not previously registered in New Zealand) who apply for a practising certificate within four months of the end of the annual practising cycle ending on 31 March 2024, pay a four-month practising fee of \$354.39 and disciplinary levy of \$nil.

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Dental Technicians and Clinical Dental Technicians

Application for registration and annual practising certificate comprising:

(a) Application for registration	550.05
(b) Annual practising certificate fee	764.99
(c) Disciplinary levy	(22.81)

TTMR applicants for registration (not previously registered in New Zealand) who apply for a practising certificate within four months of the end of the annual practising cycle ending on 31 March 2024, pay a four-month practising fee of \$255.00 and disciplinary levy of \$nil.

Overseas Applicant with Prescribed Qualification

Application for assessment of eligibility to be registered	1,375.17
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Applicant with Non-prescribed Qualification

Application for assessment of eligibility to be registered under section 15(2) of the Act	6,470.50
Resubmission of application for assessment of eligibility under section 15(2) of the Act	3,230.90

Applicant with Non-prescribed Specialist Qualification

Application for assessment of eligibility to be registered under section 15(2) of the Act	7,589.51
Resubmission of application for assessment of eligibility under section 15(2) of the Act	3,230.90

Other Registration Fees

Application for removal of an exclusion(s) on the scope of practice after completion of a Dental Council approved course/accredited programme	302.51
Application for removal of an exclusion(s) on the scope of practice after completion of a course not approved by the Dental Council	550.05
Application for registration with a prescribed qualification in an additional scope of practice	550.05
Application for registration with a non-prescribed qualification in an additional scope of practice	850.43
Application for additional registration advice	550.05
Application for restoration to the Dental Register	550.05
Supply of certificate of good standing	110.00
Supply of replacement registration certificate or any other certificate	110.00
Application to undertake supervised orthodontic auxiliary practice while undertaking a prescribed training course	110.00
Application for an electronic copy of the published Dental Council Register	241.01
Administration Fee	83.44

Annual Practising Certificate Fees

Dentists and Dental Specialists

Annual practising certificate fee and disciplinary levy for period 1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024 comprising:

(a) Annual practising certificate fee	1,072.19
(b) Disciplinary levy	(61.83)

Applicants who apply for a practising certificate within four months of the end of the annual practising cycle ending on 30 September 2024, pay a four-month practising fee of \$357.40 and disciplinary levy of \$nil.

Practitioners who hold an annual practising certificate for the period ending 30 September 2023 whose complete and correct 2023/24 annual practising certificate application form and payment are not received by the Dental Council until after 30 September 2023:

Annual practising certificate fee and disciplinary levy for period 1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024 comprising:

(a) Annual practising certificate fee (includes additional processing fee \$83.44).	1,155.63
(b) Disciplinary levy	(61.83)

Oral Health Therapists

Annual practising certificate fee and disciplinary levy for period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 comprising:

(a) Annual practising certificate fee	767.03
(b) Disciplinary levy	(5.34)

Applicants who apply for a practising certificate within four months of the end of the annual practising cycle ending on 31 March 2024, pay a four-month practising fee of \$255.68 and disciplinary levy of \$nil.

Practitioners who hold an annual practising certificate for the period ending 31 March 2023 whose complete and correct 2023/24 annual practising certificate application form and payment are not received by the Dental Council until after 31 March 2023:

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Annual practising certificate fee and disciplinary levy for period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 comprising:

(a) Annual practising certificate fee (includes additional processing fee \$83.44)	850.47
(b) Disciplinary levy	(5.34)

Dental Hygienists and Orthodontic Auxiliaries

Annual practising certificate fee and disciplinary levy for period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 comprising:

(a) Annual practising certificate fee	793.88
(b) Disciplinary levy	(4.93)

Applicants who apply for a practising certificate within four months of the end of the annual practising cycle ending on 31 March 2024, pay a four-month practising fee of \$264.63 and disciplinary levy of \$nil.

Practitioners who hold an annual practising certificate for the period ending 31 March 2023 whose complete and correct 2023/24 annual practising certificate application form and payment are not received by the Dental Council until after 31 March 2023:

Annual practising certificate fee and disciplinary levy for period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 comprising:

(a) Annual practising certificate fee (includes additional processing fee \$83.44)	877.32
(b) Disciplinary levy	(4.93)

Dental Therapists

Annual practising certificate fee and disciplinary levy for period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 comprising:

(a) Annual practising certificate fee	1,063.17
(b) Disciplinary levy	(84.85)

Applicants who apply for a practising certificate within four months of the end of the annual practising cycle ending on 31 March 2024, pay a four-month practising fee of \$354.39 and disciplinary levy of \$nil.

Practitioners who hold an annual practising certificate for the period ending 31 March 2023 whose complete and correct 2023/24 annual practising certificate application form and payment are not received by the Dental Council until after 31 March 2023:

Annual practising certificate fee and disciplinary levy for period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 comprising:

(a) Annual practising certificate fee (includes additional processing fee \$83.44)	1,146.61
(b) Disciplinary levy	(84.85)

Dental Technicians and Clinical Dental Technicians

Annual practising certificate fee and disciplinary levy for period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 comprising:

(a) Annual practising certificate fee	764.99
(b) Disciplinary levy	(22.81)

Applicants who apply for a practising certificate within four months of the end of the annual practising cycle ending on 31 March 2024, pay a four-month practising fee of \$255.00 and disciplinary levy of \$nil.

Practitioners who hold an annual practising certificate for the period ending 31 March 2023 whose complete and correct 2023/24 annual practising certificate application form and payment are not received by the Dental Council until after 31 March 2023:

Annual practising certificate fee and disciplinary levy for period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 comprising:

(a) Annual practising certificate fee (includes additional processing fee \$83.44)	848.43
(b) Disciplinary levy	(22.81)

Retention on the Register Fees

Annual retention on the register fee for non-practising Dentist and Dental Specialist registrants (for period 1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024)

182.17

Annual retention on the register fee for non-practising registrants excluding non-practising Dentist and Dental Specialist registrants (for period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024)

182.17

Application to transfer from retention to practising where applicant subject to recency of practice policy (in addition to the applicable annual practising certificate fee)

330.05

Examination Fees

New Zealand Dental Specialist Registration Examination

21,592.01

New Zealand Dental Therapy Registration Examination (NZDTREX) - clinical examination

5,725.62

New Zealand Dental Therapy Registration Examination (NZDTREX) - written examination

3,699.24

New Zealand Dental Hygiene Registration Examination (NZDHREX) - clinical examination

5,725.62

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New Zealand Dental Hygiene Registration Examination (NZDHREX) - written examination	3,699.25
New Zealand Oral Health Therapy Registration Examination (NZOHTREX) - clinical examination	5,725.62
New Zealand Oral Health Therapy Registration Examination (NZOHTREX) - written examination	3,699.24
New Zealand Dental Technology Registration Examination (NZDTechREX) - combined examination (written and technical)	4,573.68
New Zealand Clinical Dental Technology Registration Examination (NZCDTechREX) - clinical examination	5,725.62
New Zealand Clinical Dental Technology Registration Examination (NZCDTechREX) - written examination	3,699.24
Professional Standards Fees 1 2 3	
Supervision 1 2 3 (12-month programme)	Cost recovery
Oversight 1 2 3 (12-month programme)	4,596.73
Competence/Recertification Programme 1 2 3	Cost recovery
- Distance learning - per module	3,560.44
- Clinical Training - per practice area of training	6,093.33
Health Programme Fees 1 2 3	
Drug and Alcohol Screening Programme - set up and administration 1 2 3	
- Set up and administration first 12 months	1,006.82
- Administration each 12 months thereafter	503.40
- Third party testing - fee per test 1 3	144.61
Education Fees	
Accreditation of Programmes	Cost recovery
Direct professional fees, travel, accommodation and other costs for site evaluation team members together with Council administration expenses for teleconference meetings, printing and postage etc., will be charged to the Educational Institution under review, based on actual costs incurred. Dental Council secretariat administrative overheads incurred throughout the accreditation process will also be charged to the Educational Institution under review. The invoice will be generated at the end of the accreditation review process, regardless of the outcome of the review.	
Accreditation Monitoring of Programmes	Cost recovery
Direct professional fees, travel, accommodation and other costs for site evaluation team members together with Council administration expenses for teleconference meetings, printing and postage etc., will be charged to the Educational Institution for the monitoring of conditions placed on programmes, based on actual costs incurred. Dental Council secretariat administrative overheads incurred throughout the accreditation monitoring process will also be charged to the Educational Institution. The invoice will be generated at the end of the monitoring period, but at least annually if monitoring spans multiple financial years.	
Application for "removal of exclusion" course approval by providers who do provide training as part of a primary Dental Council accredited qualification 4	2,092.86
Application for "removal of exclusion" course approval by providers who do not provide training as part of a primary Dental Council accredited qualification 4	4,534.59
Application for approval of courses to equip registered oral health practitioners for registration in an additional scope of practice, for course providers who do provide training as part of a primary Dental Council accredited qualification 4	4,069.18
Application for approval of courses to equip registered oral health practitioners for registration in an additional scope of practice, for course providers who do not provide training as part of a primary Dental Council accredited qualification 4	7,124.96

Annotation of Notes

¹ Fee will be adjusted for any specific requirements of the individual programme and third-party costings at the time the programme is established.

² The practitioner will be charged direct professional fees and travel and accommodation expenses for supervisors, those providing oversight, tutors, course administrators etc. These expenses will be charged on an actual and reasonable basis in accordance with the Dental Council's fees and payments and expenditure decisions and probity policies. Course materials, venue costs and administration expenses such as printing, and postage will also be charged based on actual costs.

Competence programme:

The fees payable by a practitioner who is required to undertake a competence programme set or recognised by the Council under section 40 of the Act will be an amount that is sufficient to reimburse the Council for all costs and expenses actually and reasonably incurred by the Council in relation to the competence programme that applies to the

practitioner. Such costs and expenses may include, without limitation:

- a. fees for service providers engaged by the Council in relation to the competence programme;
- b. travel, accommodation, and travel-related costs incurred in connection with site visits;
- c. administration expenses for Council administration, teleconference meetings, printing, postage, and communications.

Fees payable will be adjusted for the specific requirements of the individual competence programme and can range depending on the level of education required to bring a practitioner up to the required standard of competence.

Recertification programme:

The fees payable by a practitioner who is required to undertake an individual recertification programme set or recognised by the Council under section 41 of the Act will be an amount that is sufficient to reimburse the Council for all costs and expenses actually and reasonably incurred by the Council in relation to the recertification programme that applies to the practitioner. Such costs and expenses may include, without limitation:

- a. fees for service providers engaged by the Council in relation to the recertification programme;
- b. travel, accommodation, and travel-related costs incurred in connection with site visits;
- c. administration expenses for Council administration, teleconference meetings, printing, postage, and communications.

Fees payable will be adjusted for the specific requirements of the individual recertification programme and can range depending on the level of education required to bring a practitioner up to the required standard.

Supervision/oversight:

The fees payable by a practitioner who is the subject of a condition included in the practitioner's scope of practice requiring the practitioner to practise subject to the supervision of one or more nominated health practitioners or health practitioners of a stated class will be an amount that is sufficient to reimburse the Council for all costs and expenses actually and reasonably incurred by the Council in relation to the supervision of the practitioner. Such costs and expenses may include, without limitation:

- a. fees for persons engaged by the Council to provide supervision;
- b. travel, accommodation, and travel-related costs incurred in connection with site visits;
- c. administration expenses for Council administration, teleconference meetings, printing, postage, and communications.

Fees payable will be adjusted for the specific requirements of the supervision that can range depending on the duration of supervision required for the practitioner to be meet the required standard of competence.

³ The practitioner will be charged for secretariat administrative overheads at \$83.44 an hour.

⁴ Not applicable for accreditation of Adult restorative programmes.

Explanatory Note

This notice updates the Dental Council fee schedule with effect from 1 March 2023. The changes consist of:

- The changes in fees and levies were consulted on with dentists and dental specialists, dental therapists, dental hygienists, orthodontic auxiliaries, oral health therapists, dental technicians and clinical dental technicians and other stakeholders from October 2022 to November 2022. Following the close of the consultation period on 18 November 2022, the 2023/24 fees and levies were approved by the Dental Council at its meeting on 5 December 2022.
- Except as described above, no other changes have been made to fees as previously published in the Oral Health Practitioners (Fees) Notice 2021 (No.2) notice published in the [New Zealand Gazette, 17 December 2022, Notice No. 2021-gs5313](#).