

Queensland



Subordinate Legislation 2001 No. 266

Optometrists Registration Act 2001

**OPTOMETRISTS REGISTRATION
REGULATION 2001**

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1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Optometrists Registration Regulation 2001*.

2 Commencement

This regulation commences on 1 February 2002.

3 Qualifications for general registration—Act, s 44

For section 44(1)(a) of the Act, a qualification stated in schedule 1, column 1, and conferred or awarded by the educational institution stated in column 2 for the qualification, is a qualification for general registration.

4 Period of registration—Act, s 56

For section 56(1) of the Act, the general registration period is a financial year.

5 Notification of change in circumstances—Act, s 119

For section 119 of the Act, each of the following is a change in a registrant's circumstances of which the board must be advised—

- (a) a change in the registrant's name;
- (b) a change in the registrant's address;
- (c) for a special purpose registrant—a change in the way the registrant undertakes the special activity for which the registrant is registered;

Examples of a 'change' for paragraph (c)—

- 1. A registrant undertakes the activity at a different place.
 - 2. A registrant changes the amount of time spent doing the activity.
 - 3. A registrant ceases to do the activity.
- (d) the registrant ceases to be qualified for registration.

6 Fees

The fees payable under the Act are stated in schedule 2.

7 Waiver of fee—financial hardship

The board may waive, wholly or partly, the payment of a fee by a person if the board is satisfied payment of the fee would cause the person financial hardship.

8 Refund of registration fee

(1) The board must refund the registration fee accompanying a person's application for registration, or renewal of registration, if—

- (a) the board refuses to grant the application; or
- (b) the person withdraws the application before it is decided.

(2) Subsection (3) applies if, within 3 months after the board decides to register a person or renew a person's registration, the person surrenders the registration.

(3) The board must refund the registration fee paid by the person less the amount of the registration fee stated in schedule 2 for a period of registration of not more than 3 months.

9 Refund of restoration fee

(1) The board must refund the registration component of a restoration fee accompanying a person's application for restoration of general registration if—

- (a) the board refuses to grant the application; or
- (b) the person withdraws the application before it is decided.

(2) Subsection (3) applies if, within 3 months after the board decides to restore a person's registration, the person surrenders the registration.

(3) The board must refund the registration component of the restoration fee paid by the person less the amount of the registration fee stated in schedule 2 for a period of registration of not more than 3 months.

(4) In this section—

“registration component”, of a restoration fee, means the amount of the restoration fee less \$75.

10 Consequential amendments

Schedule 3 amends the regulations mentioned in it.

SCHEDULE 1**QUALIFICATIONS FOR GENERAL REGISTRATION**

section 3

Qualification	Institution
Bachelor of Applied Science (Optometry)	Queensland University of Technology
Bachelor of Optometry	University of New South Wales
Bachelor of Optometry	University of Melbourne
Bachelor of Optometry	University of Auckland, New Zealand

SCHEDULE 2**FEES**

section 6

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1. Application fee for general registration or special purpose registration	120.00
2. Registration fee for general registration or special purpose registration—	
(a) for a period of registration of not more than 3 months	42.00
(b) for a period of registration of more than 3 months but not more than 6 months	84.00
(c) for a period of registration of more than 6 months but not more than 1 year	168.00
3. Restoration fee	243.00
4. Application for review of conditions	100.00
5. Replacement of certificate of registration	25.00
6. Certified copy of certificate of registration	25.00
7. Copy of the register or part of it—for each page50

SCHEDULE 3

CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

section 10

COOPERATIVES REGULATION 1997

- 1** Schedule 5, item 12, ‘*Optometrists Act 1974*’—
omit, insert—
‘Optometrists Registration Act 2001’.

HEALTH (DRUGS AND POISONS) REGULATION 1996

- 1** Appendix 9, definition “optometrist”—
omit, insert—
‘ “**optometrist**” means a person registered under the *Optometrists Registration Act 2001*.’.

SCHEDULE 3 (continued)

**STATUTORY BODIES FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS
REGULATION 1997****1 Schedule 3, column 1, ‘*Optometrists Act 1974*’—**

omit, insert—

‘Optometrists Registration Act 2001’.

ENDNOTES

1. Made by the Governor in Council on 13 December 2001.
2. Notified in the gazette on 14 December 2001.
3. Laid before the Legislative Assembly on . . .
4. The administering agency is the Department of Health.