

THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA



No. 24 OF 1968

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Julius K. Nyerere
President
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An Act to amend the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Ordinance

[17TH MAY, 1968]

ENACTED by the Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania.

1. This Act may be cited as the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Ordinance (Amendment) Act, 1968 and shall be read as one with the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Ordinance (hereinafter referred to as "the Ordinance").

Cap. 409

2. Section 15 of the Ordinance is repealed and replaced by the following sections:—

Section 15
of Cap. 409
repealed
and
replaced

"Persons
entitled
to be
registered
as dentists

15.—(1) Subject to the provisions of section 33, a person shall be entitled to registration under this Ordinance as a dentist if—

- (a) he is the holder of a diploma which is recognized for the time being by the Council as furnishing a sufficient guarantee of the possession of the requisite knowledge and skill for the efficient practice of dentistry; and
- (b) he has, after attaining such diploma, worked in full time employment under the supervision of a duly registered dentist or dentists for a period of not less than twelve months in such capacity and such circumstances as to satisfy the Council that he has acquired sufficient practical experience for the efficient practice of dentistry in Tanganyika.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1), where the Council is satisfied in relation to any person applying for registration under this Ordinance as a dentist—

- (a) that the diploma held by such person is sufficient guarantee not only of the possession of the requisite knowledge and skill for the efficient practice of dentistry but also of sufficient practical experience for the efficient practice of dentistry in Tanganyika; or

- (b) that such person, after obtaining a diploma which is for the time being recognized by the Council as furnishing sufficient guarantee of the possession by him of the requisite knowledge and skill for the efficient practice of dentistry, has worked as a dentist or under the supervision of a dentist in any country or countries for such period, in such capacity and under such circumstances as to satisfy the Council that he has acquired sufficient practical experience for the efficient practice of dentistry in Tanganyika,

the Council may, in its absolute discretion, exempt such person from the requirement specified in paragraph (b) of subsection (1).

Provisional
registration
of dentists

15AA.—(1) The following provisions of this section shall apply for the purposes of enabling any person intending to apply for registration under this Ordinance as a dentist to comply with the provisions of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 15.

(2) Any person who is not entitled to be registered as a dentist by reason of the fact only that he has not complied with the provisions of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 15, shall, if he produces evidence satisfactory to the Registrar that he has been selected for employment under the supervision of a dentist registered under section 15 of this Ordinance and that such employment would provide the required practical experience, be entitled to be provisionally registered.

(3) The Registrar shall maintain a separate register in which he shall enter the names of those persons provisionally registered and on a person becoming registered other than provisionally his name shall be removed from the register.

(4) A person provisionally registered under this section shall be entitled to exercise the functions of a dentist registered under section 15 for so long as he is in full time employment under the supervision of a dentist registered under section 15 but not otherwise."

Section 15A
of Cap. 409
amended

3. Section 15A of the Ordinance is amended—

(a) in subsection (1)—

- (i) by deleting the words "or midwifery" which occur in paragraph (a) and substituting therefor "and midwifery or of dentistry"; and
- (ii) by deleting the comma after the word "midwifery" in the fifth line of paragraph (b) and substituting therefor "or of dentistry,";

(b) in subsection (4)—

- (i) by deleting the comma which occurs immediately after the word "section" in the first line, and substituting therefor the word "shall,"; and

- (ii) by inserting, immediately after the words "medical practitioner" in the fifth line, the words "or dentist, as the case may be,".

4. Section 25 of the Ordinance is amended—

Section 25
of Cap. 409
amended

- (a) in subsection (1) by inserting immediately after the word "registered," in the second line the words "temporarily registered,"; and
- (b) in subsection (2) by inserting immediately after the words "is registered," in the first and second lines the words "temporarily registered,".

5. Section 26 of the Ordinance is amended by inserting immediately after the word "registered" in the first line the words "temporarily registered".

Section 26
of Cap. 409
amended

6. The Ordinance is amended by adding, immediately below section 35, the following new section:—

New section
35A added

"Permits for
visiting
medical
practitioners
and dentists

35A.—(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Ordinance, where the Chief Medical Officer or a medical officer appointed by him in that behalf is satisfied in relation to any person who is not registered as a medical practitioner or dentist under this Ordinance and who is not ordinarily resident in Tanganyika, that such person—

- (a) holds a diploma which furnishes a sufficient guarantee of the possession by such person of the requisite knowledge and skill for the efficient practice of medicine, surgery or dentistry;
- (b) has sufficient practical experience for the efficient practice of medicine, surgery or dentistry; and
- (c) desires to give medical or dental treatment to, or to perform surgery upon, a patient in Tanganyika,

he may, in his absolute discretion, by a permit under his hand, authorize such person to give medical or dental treatment to, or to perform surgery upon, the patient specified in such permit.

(2) The person duly authorized under subsection (1) shall, for the purposes of section 36, be deemed to be duly registered as a medical practitioner or as a dentist, as the case may be, in relation to the medical or dental treatment given to or the surgery performed upon the patient named in the permit."

7. Section 38 of the Ordinance is amended by deleting subsection (1) and substituting therefor the following subsection.

Section 38
of Cap. 409
amended

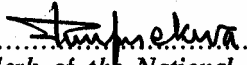
"(1) Subject to the provisions of section 39, there shall be charged on every registration, temporary registration, provisional registration or issue of a permit under section 35A such fees as may be prescribed."

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Saving

8. The provisions of this Act shall in no way prejudice or affect the status as a registered dentist of any person who, immediately prior to the coming into operation of this Act, was duly registered under section 15 of the Ordinance as then in force.

Passed in the National Assembly on the tenth day of May, 1968.


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Clerk of the National Assembly

