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### NURSES REGISTRATION ACT, 1921-1953.

Department of Public Health,  
Perth, 18th May, 1955.

HIS Excellency the Governor, under the provisions of the Nurses Registration Act, 1921-1953, has been pleased to amend in the manner mentioned in the Schedule hereunder, the Nurses Registration Regulations, 1946, published in the *Government Gazette* on the 10th day of February, 1947, and amended from time to time thereafter.

LINLEY HENZELL,  
Commissioner of Public Health.

#### Schedule.

The abovementioned regulations are amended by adding a new Part VIII Dental Nurses—and new Appendix X as follows:—

#### Part VIII—Dental Nurses.

##### Division 1—Dental Nurses Training Schools.

1. The controlling authority of a dental hospital may apply to the Board to have such hospital prescribed as a dental nurses training school, and shall, with the application, furnish the names and qualifications of the persons who shall constitute the teaching staff of the hospital.
2. A dental hospital may be prescribed by the Board as a dental nurses training school if it fulfills the following conditions:—
  - (a) It is a hospital constituted under the Hospitals Act, 1927-1953.
  - (b) The matron is a registered general and dental nurse and approved by the Board for the purpose.
  - (c) The buildings, equipment, and other facilities provided in the hospital are adequate for training purposes.
  - (d) Exclusive of sick leave and leave other than ordinary leave, a course of training is provided for a minimum period of three years, or in the case of a registered general nurse, not less than one year.
  - (e) The daily average number of patients is at least 100.
  - (f) The proportion of qualified staff to trainees is considered by the Board sufficient to constitute an adequate teaching staff, and to ensure adequate supervision of the trainees' duties.
  - (g) Provision is made for systematic courses of instruction in theoretical and practical nursing during the period of training by duly qualified dental practitioners and the matron or other lecturers approved by the Board, in accordance with the subjoined curriculum in Part III of Appendix X to these regulations.

(h) Provision is made for the issue by the hospital of a certificate of training certifying that the person named thereon, having been duly trained in accordance with the requirements of these regulations, has, after examination, shown that she has attained proficiency in dental nursing.

(i) The hospital is being conducted in an efficient manner.

(j) The controlling authority of the hospital undertakes to furnish to the Board such information as it may at any time require regarding the trainees and their training.

3. If at any time in the opinion of the Board its requirements in regard to training are not being complied with the Board may after giving the controlling authority not less than two months' notice of its intention so to do, remove the name of the hospital from its list of training schools.

4. The following is a list of hospitals prescribed by the Board for the time being at which training of dental nurses may be undertaken:—

Perth Dental Hospital.

Division 2—Qualifications for Trainees.

5. An applicant for admission as a trainee into a prescribed training school shall be at least 16 years of age at the commencement of training. Application in the handwriting of the applicant and signed by the applicant, shall be made to the matron and shall be accompanied by—

- (a) The applicant's certificate of birth;
- (b) Three personal references;
- (c) A certificate as to physical and mental fitness from a legally qualified medical practitioner, and from a legally qualified dental practitioner in respect of oral hygiene, and
- (d) A certificate showing that she has passed the University Junior examination; Eighth Standard examination of the Education Department; an examination in general education conducted by the Board, or such other certificate as may be deemed by the Board to be the equivalent of any of the above certificates.

6. Subject to compliance with regulation No. 5 above, each applicant when admitted to a training school shall enter on six months' probation.

7. (1) Training shall be continuous.

(2) The period during which a trainee has broken her training owing to illness or for other reasons satisfactory to the Board, shall be made up so that she completes the full period as prescribed by these regulations.

(3) The maximum amount of continuous sick leave or other leave that a trainee may be granted without reference to the Board is six months. Every application for more than six months' continuous leave shall be referred to the Board and if such be granted the trainee shall, in addition to making up the leave so granted and taken, undergo a further one week's training for each month (or part thereof) exceeding the first three months of such leave.

8. Where a trainee has ceased training, whether of her own accord or through dismissal, the Board may, on application by such trainee, grant her permission to continue training at the same or some other prescribed training hospital, under such conditions as it may decide.

9. The Board may at its discretion in the case of a trainee coming from outside the State and presenting evidence of training satisfactory to the Board allow such person to complete training at a prescribed hospital in Western Australia, under such conditions as it may determine.

Division 3—Examinations.

10. An examination for registration shall be held once a year, in the month of December, unless otherwise arranged by the Board.

11. The Board may from time to time appoint such centres for examinations as it may deem desirable.

12. The examination of trainees shall be written, practical and oral.

13. Trainees for admission to an examination for registration shall make application to the secretary of the Board in Form No. 2 in Part II of Appendix X to these regulations, not later than one month before the date of the examination.

14. The application shall be accompanied by the prescribed examination fee and a statement signed by the matron showing—

- (a) the date on which training commenced;
- (b) particulars of any period during which apart from ordinary or holiday leave, the trainee was absent from duty;
- (c) that the applicant has attended the prescribed courses of lectures and passed the necessary examinations;
- (d) that she has had the practical experience as required by these regulations.

15. A trainee shall not be eligible to sit for examination for registration until she has completed training. Provided that, in the event of the end of her training period falling between two examinations she may sit for the examination to be held nearer her finishing date, but such trainee shall nevertheless complete her term of training before receiving a certificate of registration.

16. The papers for every examination shall be sent sealed to the various centres, where at the time appointed the seals shall be broken in the presence of the candidates and the papers given out. After the close of the examination the papers shall be forwarded to the examiners who shall report the result of the examination to the Board.

17. Each candidate shall be provided with a numbered card. Sealed envelopes containing numbered cards shall be sent to the various centres and be distributed among the candidates immediately before the distribution of the examination papers.

18. The practical and oral examinations shall be conducted at each centre by the examiners appointed under the Act, and shall be held after the written examination, on a date to be fixed by the examiners.

19. In the event of a candidate failing to satisfy the examiners at the first examination for registration taken by her, she may be permitted to sit for a subsequent examination or examinations, upon payment on each occasion of a further entrance fee as prescribed in these regulations.

#### Division 4—Registration.

20. Every nurse applying for registration under the Act shall make application to the Board in Form No. 3 in Part II of Appendix X to these regulations, and this application shall be accompanied by a fee of 12s. 6d.

21. A certificate in Form No. 4 in Part II of Appendix X to these regulations shall be issued to every nurse registered by the Board.

22. Every registered nurse shall during the month of January in each year succeeding the year in which she was first registered make application to the Board for re-registration, and such application shall be accompanied by the fee of one shilling prescribed by section 11 (2) of the Act. If a nurse fails to re-register in each of two consecutive years her name shall be erased from the register.

23. The secretary's official receipt for the fee referred to in regulation No. 22 above shall be the certificate of renewal of registration.

24. A badge in Form No. 1 shall be issued by the Board to a registered nurse upon payment of a fee of 7s. 6d.

25. A copy of a certificate, or a duplicate badge, may be issued upon payment of a fee of 5s. and 7s. 6d. respectively, if it is proved to the satisfaction of the Board that the original certificate or the original badge, as the case may be, has been lost or accidentally destroyed.

26. The cap to be worn by a registered dental nurse whilst in attendance on or nursing dental patients shall be of similar material and design to that worn by a trainee dental nurse provided that the distinguishing band shall be black, half-an-inch in width and half-an-inch down from the top of the front fold-back of the cap.

#### Division 5—Penalties for Breaches of the Regulations.

27. A person contravening any of the provisions of these regulations shall be liable, unless otherwise provided for, to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

Appendix X.

Part I.

Schedule of Fees.

	£	s.	d.
(a) For examination for registration .....	2	2	0
(b) For subsequent examination for registration after failing a first time .....	1	1	0
(c) For registration .....	0	12	6
(d) For badge .....	0	7	6
(e) For duplicate badge .....	0	7	6
(f) For copy of certificate of registration .....	0	5	0
(g) For restoration of name to register .....	0	7	6
(h) For annual re-registration .....	0	1	0

Appendix X.

Part II.

Dental Nurse's Badge.  
(Regulation No. 24).

Form No. 1.

The badge to be issued to a registered dental nurse shall be in the design shown hereunder:—



Form No. 2.

Western Australia.  
Nurses' Registration Board.  
(Regulation No. 13.)

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO EXAMINATION.

The Secretary,  
Nurses' Registration Board,  
Perth.

I hereby make application for admission to the next examination for registration held by the Board.

Surname of Applicant.....  
Full Christian Names.....  
Date of Birth.....  
Home Address.....  
Date of Application.....

I attach hereto—

Certificate of Education.

I enclose the prescribed examination fee—£2 2s.

Signature of Applicant.....

We certify that..... has undergone the prescribed course of training at..... hospital, from..... to..... Her conduct during her period of training has been.....

and her Certificate of Education is attached. She has attended the prescribed course of lectures, passed the necessary examination, and has received practical instruction in accordance with the curriculum.

....., Superintendent.  
....., Matron.  
..... Hospital. Date.....

Form No. 3.

Western Australia.  
Nurses Registration Act, 1921-1953.  
(Regulation No. 20.)

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS A DENTAL NURSE.

Surname of Applicant.....  
Full Christian Names.....  
Date of Birth.....  
Home Address.....  
Date of Application.....  
To the Nurses' Registration Board—

I hereby make application to be registered as a dental nurse in accordance with the provisions of the Nurses Registration Act, 1921-1953.

I am the holder of a certificate of proficiency as a dental nurse awarded by (name of hospital)..... the original certificate being attached hereto for the information of the Board.

I enclose registration fee of 12s. 6d.

Signature of Applicant.....

CERTIFICATE OF IDENTITY.

I certify that I am acquainted with..... mentioned above, and that I know the signature appended to the foregoing application to be the genuine signature of the said person.

This certificate must be signed by a Justice of the Peace, Minister of Religion, Medical Practitioner, Sergeant of Police, Public Servant, or a Dental Practitioner.

CERTIFICATE OF CHARACTER IN RESPECT OF APPLICANT FOR REGISTRATION.

This is to certify that I have known..... an applicant for registration by the Nurses' Registration Board for..... years, and that she is trustworthy, sober, and of good moral character.

Dated this..... day of..... 19.....

This certificate must be signed by a Justice of the Peace, Minister of Religion, Medical Practitioner, Sergeant of Police, Public Servant, or a Dental Practitioner, who shall not be identical with the person signing the Certificate of Identity above.

Not to be Filled in by Applicant.

Application granted/refused.....  
Entry made in register by.....  
No. of Certificate of Registration issued.....

Form No. 4.

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION.  
(Regulation No. 21.)

Western Australia.

Registered No.....

Nurses Registration Act, 1921-1953.

This is to certify that..... whose signature appears in the margin hereof, has been granted registration as a Trained Dental Nurse by the Nurses' Registration Board of Western

Australia, under the provisions of Section 5, Subsection (5f), ( ) of the Nurses Registration Act, 1921-1953.

Dated this ..... day of ..... 19.....

.....  
Chairman.

.....  
Secretary.

Specimen Signature of Nurse.....

Appendix X.

Part III.

CURRICULUM FOR TRAINING OF DENTAL NURSES.

(Regulation No. 2 (g).)

1. Anatomy, Histology and Physiology (comprising four lectures).

Definitions.

Types of tissue.

The skin.

The skeleton—structure of a bone—general description with particular reference to the skull and bones of the face.

Joints—with particular reference to the temporo-mandibular articulation.

The respiratory system—organs of respiration—blood supply—mechanism of respiration.

The circulatory system—composition and function of blood—coagulation of blood—the vessels—the heart—the circulation of blood.

The lymphatic system.

The nervous system—with particular reference to the 5th cranial (Trigeminal) nerve and the motor innervation of the muscles of mastication.

2. General Nursing.—Comprising six Lectures in Preliminary Training School, four Lectures in Second Year and four Lectures in Final Year, including Practical Demonstrations.

History of Nursing.

Nursing ethics and hospital etiquette.

Qualifications of a nurse—personal hygiene.

Distinction between the doctor and dentist's work and that of the nurse. Chairside psychology.

Use and sterilising of clinical thermometer and methods of taking temperatures.

The pulse—its variations and method of record.

Respiration—its method of record.

Antisepsis—asepsis and sterilisation.

Instruments—their care and use.

General instructions in bedmaking and management of helpless patients.

Hygiene of recovery room or ward, ventilation, lighting, temperature.

Prevention of infection.

External applications—preparation of local applications of heat and cold.

Ice packs and antiphlogistine.

Lotions in common use—preparation of in varying strengths.

Methods of observing symptoms and manner of reporting same to doctor or dentist.

Dressings and their preparation.

Instructions on and practical experience in use of autoclave.

Operation cases, preparation of patient and bed (dealing only with outpatients).

Pre- and post-operative nursing for oral surgery done under G.A.

Treatment of haemorrhage and shock.

Instructions in urine testing.

Various methods of administering drugs—hypodermic injections.

Intramuscular injections, and practical experience in giving of same.

Preparation for intravenous injections.

Drugs commonly used—their dosage and effect.

Cleaning, preparation and setting up of operating theatre.

Assistance in theatre.

Method of scrubbing up. Technique of gowning and gloving.

Any other general nursing work that may be required of a dental nurse.

3. Elementary Dental Histology and Pathology (comprising five Lectures).  
 Inflammation and repair.  
 Bacteria.  
 The structure of the teeth and supporting tissues.  
 Diseases of the teeth and supporting structures—dental caries—pulpitis—pyorrhoea gingivae.  
 Diseases of the oral mucosa—gingivitis, stomatitis, ulceration, Vincent's disease.  
 Fractures—tooth and bone.  
 Tumours of the jaw.
- 4A. Assistance in Operative Dentistry—To comprise five Lectures in the Preliminary Training School, together with a Course of Clinical Training in the following subjects:—  
 Tooth morphology.  
 Definitions of surfaces of the teeth.  
 Palmers notation.  
 Histological structure of the teeth and their supporting tissues.  
 Definition of terms relating to above.  
 Classification of cavities.  
 Instruments—  
     (a) Nomenclature.  
     (b) Description of.  
     (c) Use of.  
     (d) Care of.  
 Sharpening of Instruments.  
 Setting up the bracket table in relation to operative procedures.  
 Use of common drugs in operative dentistry.  
 Sterilisation of instruments.  
 Preparation of cavity dressings.  
 Principles of manipulation of dental cements.  
 Mixing technique and manipulation of silicate cement.  
 Mixing technique and manipulation of silver amalgam.  
 The preparation of matrices.  
 Responsibility of entering and keeping operative cards.
- B. Assistance in Operative Dentistry.—In the second or third year there will be four lectures and a course of clinical training in this subject under the heading of "Assistance in Operative Dental Specialities." These specialities will cover two lectures in endodontia, two lectures in periodontia and two lectures in preventive dentistry.
5. Assistance in Prosthodontia.—A course of three lectures and one practical demonstration in the first year. Assistance required and manipulation of materials used during the following steps of denture construction:—  
 Examination and charting of patient.  
 Impressions and impression materials.  
 Maxillo-mandibular relations.  
 Try-in and insertion.  
 Description of methods and materials used in laboratory procedures.
6. Assistance in Local and General Anaesthesia.—Four lectures in the third year and a series of practical demonstrations.  
 Types of anaesthetic—inhalation, intravenous, local analgesia.  
 Anaesthetic methods.  
 Anaesthetic apparatus—care and maintenance.  
 Pre-medication and pre-anaesthetic preparation.  
 Assistance during anaesthetic phase.  
 Post-anaesthetic care.
7. Assistance in Dental Radiology.—In the third year two lectures and a practical demonstration.  
 Positioning of patients—precautions against radiation.  
 Developing, mounting and filing of films.  
 Care of equipment.
8. Assistance in Orthodontia.—No lecture but clinical training in the department.
9. Assistance in Pedodontia.—No lecture. Clinical training in the department.

10. Assistance in Oral Surgery.—One lecture covering the definition of oral surgery and principles of treatment of the more common oral surgical operations, together with a course of clinical training in the theatre and at the chairside.

11. Dental Practice Clerical Routine as expected of Dental Nurses.—Two lectures and one week in the general office, together with attendance at the Technical School typing classes.

Sundry filing.  
Postal and telegraphic facilities.  
Cheques and other remittances.  
Petty cash and postage books.  
Patients' accounts, receipts and stamp duty.  
Cash book and banking.  
Payment of sundry accounts.  
Wages and tax deductions.

Approved by His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council 18th May, 1955.

(Sgd.) E. P. FOREMAN,  
Acting Clerk of the Council.

Ex. Co. No. 933.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS ACT, 1904-1954.

Western Australian Government Railways Commission,  
Perth, 18th May, 1955.

HIS Excellency the Governor in Executive Council has been pleased to approve of the amendment by the Commission, in the manner mentioned in the schedule hereunder, of by-law No. 54, made under the Government Railways Act, 1904-1954, and published in the *Government Gazette* on the 14th day of May, 1940, and amended from time to time thereafter.

C. W. CLARKE,  
Deputy Chairman of Western Australian  
Government Railways Commission.

Schedule.

By-law No. 54 is amended as follows:—

Rule 97, paragraph (b), subparagraph (12) is amended by substituting for the word "green" the word "yellow."

Rule 280, paragraph (a), is amended by substituting for the word "green" in line 5 the word "yellow."

Rule 280, paragraph (b), is amended by substituting for the word "green" in lines 3 and 7 the word "yellow."

Rule 285, paragraph (a), is amended by substituting for the word "green" appearing twice in line 10 the word "yellow."

Rule 285, paragraph (b) is amended by substituting for the word "green" appearing twice in line 10 the word "yellow."

Rule 285, paragraph (d) is amended by deleting all of the paragraph following the word "night" in the thirteenth line and substituting the following words and diagram:—

two yellow lights must be placed side by side on the Warning Board and one yellow light on the Caution Board, thus:—

