GOVERNMENT NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

No. R. 1512 19 November 2021

Social Service Professions Act, 1978 (Act 110 of 1978)

REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE FEES PAYABLE BY SOCIAL WORKERS, CHILD AND YOUTH CARE WORKERS, SOCIAL AUXILIARY WORKERS, AUXILIARY CHILD AND YOUTH CARE WORKERS, STUDENT SOCIAL WORKERS, AND STUDENT CHILD AND YOUTH CARE WORKERS

[Title amended by Regulations published in Government Notice 221 (Government Gazette No 42240 of 22 February 2019]

as amended by

Fees payable by social workers, child and youth care workers, social auxiliary workers, child and youth care auxiliary workers, student social workers and student child and youth care worker Amendment Regulations published in Government Notice 221 (Government Gazette No 42240 of 22 February 2019)

Fees payable by social workers, child and youth care workers, social auxiliary workers, auxiliary child and youth care workers, student social workers and student child and youth care workers Amendment Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)

I, Lindiwe Zulu, Minister of Social Development, on recommendation of the South African Council for Social Service Professions publish amendment regulations in terms of sections 17(2)(b), 17C(3)(c), 18A(6)(b), 18B(2)(a) and 28(1)(a) of the Social Service Professions Act, 1978 (Act No. 110 of 1978) and on the recommendation of the South African Council for Social Service Professions for implementation.

Section 17, section 22(1)(b), section 22(3), section 12(10(a), section 18(1)(a), section 20(3), section 17D(3), section 18A(5), section 17C(2A)(b) included.

[paragraph amended by Amendment Regulations published Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)

Ms L. ZULU, MP
MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

DATE: 18.10.2021

[See Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021) for signed version of Amendment Regulations}

SCHEDULE

DEFINITIONS

1. In these regulations

'the Act' shall mean the Social Service Professions Act, 1978 (Act No 110 of 1978), and any expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall have such meaning and, unless the context otherwise indicates -

'the Regulations' means Fees payable by social workers, child and youth care workers, social auxiliary workers, auxiliary child and youth care workers, student social workers, and student child and youth care workers amendment regulations published in Government Notice No. 42240 (GNR 221 of 22 February 2019);

'financial year' means a year ending 31 March of every year;

'reference number' means a unique identifier assigned to any financial transaction that will enable Council to identify the person making a payment and allocate such payment against that person's name.

[Definition of 'reference number' inserted in regulation 1 by regulation 1 of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)]

2. (a) The following fees shall be paid to the Council by **social workers** and **child and youth care** workers:

Clas	sification category and service	Professional Fees
(i)	Registration fee by applicants who obtained their qualifications at a training institution in the Republic of South Africa.	R245.00
(ii)	Additional levy in the case of paragraph (a)(i) for a registration which is requested to be finalised within three working days.	R117.00
(iii)	Registration fee by applicants who obtained their qualifications at a training institution outside the Republic in a SADC country.	R1,807.00
(iv)	Registration fee by applicants who obtained their qualifications at a training institution outside the Republic in countries other than those mentioned in paragraph (a)(iii).	R3,555.00
(v)	Re-registration fee by a person whose registration has been suspended in terms of section 22(1)(b) of the Act.	R750.00
(vi)	Re-registration fee by a person whose registration has been cancelled in terms of section 22(1)(c) of the Act.	R263.00
(vii)	Annual fee, subject to regulation 3.	R466.00
(viii)	Fee for the restoration of the name of a person whose name has been removed from the Register in terms of section 20(3) of the Act.	R233.00
(ix)	Registrar's fine for fees be paid after 31 March.	R456.00
(x)	Examination fee for the purpose of an examination of a person who obtain a qualification outside the Republic in terms of section 17D(3).	R1,000.00
(xi)	Examination fee for the purpose of an examination of a person who obtain a qualification inside the Republic in terms of section 18A(5).	R1,250.00

Clas	sification category and service	Professional Fees
(xii)	Administrative fee additional to the fees prescribed in paragraphs (a)(i), (iii), (iv), (v) and vi) for the re-assessment of an application that needs to be resubmitted due to insufficient Information	R200.00
	Ingragraph (a) substituted by regulation 2(a) of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45	501 of 10 November 2021)

[paragraph (a) substituted by regulation 2(a) of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)

(b) The following fees shall be paid to the Council for registering a **speciality** in terms of section 17C of the Act:

Clas	sification category and service	Professional Fees
(i)	Assessment fee.	R840.00
(ii)	Registration fee.	R233.00
(iii)	Re-registration fee by a person whose registration of a speciality has been suspended in terms of section 22(1)(b) of the Act.	R750.00
(iv)	Re-registration fee by a person whose registration of a speciality has been cancelled in terms of section 22(1)(c) of the Act.	R263.00
(v)	Annual fee, subject to regulation 3.	R466.00
(vi)	Fee for the restoration of the name of a person whose name has been removed from the Register in terms of section 20(3) of the Act.	R222.00
(vii)	Registrar's fine for fees be paid after 31 March.	R456.00
(viii)	Examination fee for a speciality in terms of section 17C(2A)(b) of the Act.	R900.00
(ix)	Administrative fee additional to the fees prescribed in paragraphs (b)(i), (ii) (iii) and (iv) for the re-assessment of an application that needs to be resubmitted due to insufficient Information	R200.00

[paragraph (b) substituted by regulation 2(b) of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)]

(c) The following fees shall be paid to the Council by **student social workers** and **student child and youth care workers**:

Clas	sification category and service	Professional Fees
(i)	Registration fee before 31 March of the first year of study.	R228.00
(ii)	Re-registration fee by a person whose registration has been suspended in terms of section 22(1)(b) of the Act.	R250.00
(iii)	Re-registration fee by a person whose registration has been cancelled in terms of section 22(1)(c) of the Act.	R250.00
(iv)	Fee for the restoration of the name of a person whose name has been removed from the Register in terms of section 20(3) of the Act.	R222.00

Clas	sification category and service	Professional Fees
(v)	Annual fee payable every year from the second year of study until completion of studies.	R0.00
(vi)	Registrar's fine for fees paid after 31 March.	R0.00
(vii)	Administrative fee additional to the fees prescribed in paragraphs (c)(i), (ii) and (iii) for the re-assessment of an application that needs to be resubmitted due to insufficient Information	R150.00

[paragraph (c) substituted by regulation 2(c) of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)]

(d) The following fees shall be paid to the Council by **social auxiliary workers** and **auxiliary child and youth care workers**:

Classification category and service		Professional Fees
(i)	Registration fee by applicants who obtained their qualifications at a training institution in the Republic of South Africa.	R228.00
(ii)	Additional levy in the case of paragraph (a)(i) for a registration which is requested to be finalised within three working days.	R117.00
(iii)	Registration fee by applicants who obtained their qualifications at a training institution outside the Republic in a SADC country.	R1,224.00
(iv)	Registration fee by applicants who obtained their qualifications at a training institution outside the Republic in countries other than those mentioned in paragraph (a)(iii).	R2,331.00
(v)	Re-registration fee by a person whose registration has been suspended in terms of section 22(1)(b) of the Act.	R500.00
(vi)	Re-registration fee by a person whose registration has been cancelled in terms of section 22(1)(c) of the Act.	R246.00
(vii)	Annual fee, subject to regulation 3.	R233.00
(viii)	Fee for the restoration of the name of a person whose name has been removed from the Register in terms of section 20(3) of the Act.	R233.00
(ix)	Registrar's fine for fees be paid after 31 March.	R228.00
(x)	Examination fee for the purpose of an examination of a person who obtain a qualification outside the Republic in terms of section 17D(3).	R1,200.00
(xi)	Examination fee for the purpose of an examination of a person who obtain a qualification inside the Republic in terms of section 18A(5).	R900.00
(xii)	Administrative fee additional to the fees prescribed in paragraphs (d)(i), (iii), (iv), (v), (vii) and (viii) for the re-assessment of an application that needs to be re-submitted due to insufficient Information. [paragraph (d) substituted by regulation 2(d) of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 4:	R200.00 5501 of 19 November 2021)

(e) The following fees shall be paid to the Council by **student social auxiliary workers** and **student auxiliary child and youth care workers**:

Clas	Classification category and service	
(i)	Registration fee before 31 March of the first year of study.	R216.00
(ii)	Re-registration fee by a person whose registration has been suspended in terms of section 22(1)(b) of the Act.	R233.00
(iii)	Re-registration fee by a person whose registration has been cancelled in terms of section 22(1)(c) of the Act.	R233.00
(iv)	Fee for the restoration of the name of a person whose name has been removed from the Register in terms of section 20(3) of the Act.	R210.00
(v)	Annual fee payable every year from the second year of study until completion of studies.	R0.00
(vi)	Registrar's fine for fees paid after 31 March.	R0.00
(vii)	Administrative fee additional to the fees prescribed in paragraphs (c)(i), (ii) and (iii) for the re-assessment of an application that needs to be resubmitted due to insufficient Information	R200.00

[paragraph (e) substituted by regulation 2(e) of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)]

(f) The following fees pertaining to **continuing professional development (CDP)** activities shall be paid to the Council:

Clas	sification category and service	Professional Fees
(i)	Fees for the approval of a CPD activity offered to practitioners at no cost to the practitioner.	R117.00
(ii)	Fees for the approval of a CPD activity offered to practitioners at a specified registration fee or cost to the practitioner.	R583.00
(iii)	Administrative fee additional to the fees prescribed in paragraphs (f)(i) and (ii) for the re-assessment of an application that needs to be re-submitted due to insufficient Information	R200.00

[paragraph (f) substituted by regulation 2(f) of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)]

(g) The following **miscellaneous fees** shall be paid to the Council:

Clas	sification category and service	Professional Fees
(i)	Fee for a duplicate registration certificate	R257.00
(ii)	Fee for inspection of the register (per occasion)	R257.00
(iii)	Fee for the issue of an extract from the register (per page)	R525.00
(iv)	Fee for certificate of status of good standing	R630.00

C	Classification category and service	Professional Fees
('	v) Additional levy in the case of any express service which is requested to be finalised within 3 working days	R117.00

[paragraph (g) substituted by regulation 2(g) of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)]

- (h) The annual fees referred to in paragraphs (a)(vi), (b)(v); (c)(v); (d)(vii) and (e)(v) shall
 - (i) subject to the provisions of sub-regulation (a), (b), (c) and (d) be paid on or before 2 January of every year.
 - (ii) in the case of a person who is registered for the first time as a social worker or a social auxiliary worker, and child and youth care worker or auxiliary child and youth care worker or a person registering a speciality in terms of the Act, be calculated pro rata for the period extending from the first day of the month during which he or she is registered to the end of the financial year concerned, and, before such person's name is entered in the register;
 - (iii) in the case of a person who applies for re-registration in terms of section 22(4) of the Act; or
 - (iv) in the case of a person who applies for re-registration in terms of section 22(5) of the Act;
 - (v) in the case of a person whose name is restored in terms of section 20(3) of the Act to a register referred to in section 19(1) of the Act, be calculated pro rata for the period extending from the first day of the month during which the person's name is restored to the register to the end of the financial year concerned and_be payable before such person's name is re-entered or restored to the register; provided that: In the case of a person who has failed to pay any money in terms of section 20(1)(d) of the Act and such person has proceeded to practice, the annual fee be paid in full for the current financial year and outstanding financial years if he or she practiced, before such person's name can be restored to the register concerned; and
 - (vi) be payable for the financial year(s) following the publication of these Regulations and shall apply to all persons irrespective of the date of publication.
 - (vii) The fees referred to in these Regulations include Value Added Tax.

 [paragraph (h) substituted by regulation 2(h) of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)]

RESERVATION

- 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a)(vi), (b)(iv) and d(vi) of Regulation 2 –
- (a) Any person who attains the age of 65 years old on 2nd January in terms of section 28(4)(a) and who is not full time employed or continue to be full time employed, shall be exempted from the payment of annual fees for the following financial years, if he or she applies in writing for such exemption to the Council and shall re-apply annually for the renewal of such exemption status.
- (b) Any person who in the opinion of the Council does not practice the profession he or she is registered for with Council at a professional or auxiliary level, or who has been unemployed for a period of three consecutive months or longer, subject to submission of written proof on or before *the date* the annual fee payable, and who has applied in writing to Council for exemption from payment of the annual fee, shall for the period and on the conditions determined by the Council, be exempted from the payment of annual fees: provide that in the case of a person who is unemployed, s/he provides proof to Council in the form of an affidavit completed at the South African Police Service on a prescribed form that he or she is not employed, nor has any form of income.
- (c) Any a person, other than a person mentioned in paragraph (b), who in the course of a financial year ceases to practise the profession on or before 31 March of that financial year, and who applies in writing to the Council for exemption, shall only pay an amount which is calculated to be fifty percent of the annual fees.

(d) A person who qualifies for an exemption in terms of paragraphs (b) and (c) of is not allowed to practice the profession that he or she is registered for, and must before re-entering the profession inform Council in writing of such intention, and shall pay within 30 days, the outstanding pro rata annual fee for the financial year during which he or she resumes practice, after which such exemption shall fall away.

[regulation 3 substituted by regulation 3 of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)]

REPEAL

4. The Regulations made under the Social Service Professions Act 110 of 1978 published in Government Notice R 675 in Government Gazette Number 36827 of 13 September 2013 is herewith repealed.

METHOD OF PAYMENT

- **4A**(1) Fees and fines referred to these Regulations may be paid to the Council—
 - (a) by cash deposited into the Council's bank account;
 - (b) by internet transfer or other electronic banking means, provided that the payment is made into the Council's bank account; or
 - (c) by any other method made available by the Council from time to time.
- (2) In respect of any payment mentioned in sub-regulation (1), the correct reference number to identify the person who made the payment must be supplied. A person registered with the Council shall use his or her registration number as social worker, child and youth care worker, social auxiliary worker, auxiliary child and youth care worker, student social worker or student auxiliary child and youth care worker; and any other person shall use his or her allocated reference number.
- (3) The Council will publish a list of the valid transaction type codes mentioned in sub-regulation (2) on its website, which may be revised from time to time according to the Council's requirements.
- (4) Payments that cannot be correctly allocated because of failure to comply with sub-regulation (2) will be regarded as not received in time if there is a deadline by which the payment is due.
- (5) A payment contemplated sub-regulation (4) shall be kept in a separate account until such time the person who made the payment is identified for a period not exceeding three years, where-after, the fee will be regarded as un-allocated and recognised as other income in relation to the operations of Council.
- (6) Organisations wishing to make a single bulk payment in respect of annual fees of two or more persons must first contact the Registrar regarding the necessary arrangements to ensure that the payment is correctly allocated to the organisation and that the Registrar can correctly sub-allocate the various amounts to the persons for whom the payments are made.
- (7) Payments made will only be considered to have been paid on time if the item appears with correct reference number on the Council's bank statement with a transaction date before or on the due date for payment. A person paying by Internet or other electronic banking must take into account the banking rules pertaining to the transaction date that will apply to such payment.

[regulation 4A inserted by regulation 4 of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)]

SHORT TITLE

5. These regulations are called the Fees payable by social workers, child and youth care workers, social auxiliary workers, auxiliary child and youth care workers, student social workers, student child and youth care

workers, student social auxiliary workers and student auxiliary child and youth care workers 2021 Amendment Regulations.

[heading and regulation 5 substituted by regulation 4 of the Regulations published in Government Notice 1512 (Government Gazette No 45501 of 19 November 2021)]

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