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PART I

GENERAL

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1974, and shall come into operation on 1st April 1974.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the respective meanings hereby assigned to them:—

“the Act” means the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1947(a);

“the Act of 1972” means the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972(b);

“area” means in relation to a Health Board the area for which the Health Board is constituted;

“area dental committee” means the committee of that name for the area of a Health Board recognised under section 16 of the Act of 1972;

“area medical committee” means the committee of that name for the area of a Health Board recognised under section 16 of the Act of 1972;

“area pharmaceutical committee” means the committee of that name for the area of a Health Board recognised under section 16 of the Act of 1972;

“assistant” means any dentist employed either whole-time or part-time under a contract of service by another dentist for the purpose of providing general dental services on behalf of that dentist;

“the Board” means the Scottish Dental Estimates Board constituted under Part III of these regulations;

“chemist” means a registered pharmaceutical chemist who provides pharmaceutical services or a person lawfully conducting a retail pharmacy business in accordance with section 69 of the Medicines Act 1968(c) who provides such services;

“Common Services Agency” means the Agency constituted under section 19 of the Act of 1972;

“dental estimate form” means where any treatment in respect of which the special form is required the special estimate form set out in Determination V of the Statement of Dental Remuneration or a form to the like effect and, in any other case, the dental estimate form set out in that Determination, or a form to the like effect;

“dental fitness” means such a reasonable standard of dental efficiency and oral health as is necessary to safeguard general health, and “dentally fit” has a corresponding meaning;

“dental officer” means any dental officer appointed by the Secretary of State for the purpose of advising the Secretary of State, the Board, Health Boards and practitioners on questions arising in connection with general dental services;

“dentist” means a registered dental practitioner;

“deputy” means a dentist (including a partner) acting on behalf of another dentist, otherwise than in the capacity of an assistant, for the purpose of providing general dental services;

“doctor” means a fully registered medical practitioner;

“drug tariff” means the statement prepared by the Secretary of State under the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1974(d);

“emergency treatment” means any treatment immediately required for the relief of pain or other urgent symptoms;

(a) 1947 c. 27
(c) 1968 c. 67.

(b) 1972 c. 58.
(d) S.I. 1974/506 (1974 I, p. 1869).

“enactment” includes a provision in a statutory instrument;

“estimate” means a dental estimate form duly completed in the manner provided by these regulations and in accordance with instructions for the completion of such form setting out a course of treatment for a patient;

“Health Board” means a board constituted under section 13 of the Act of 1972;

“health centre” means premises provided by the Secretary of State in accordance with the provisions of section 2(1)(b) of the Act of 1972 to which section 2(2) of that Act applies;

“listed drugs” means such drugs and medicines as are included in a list for the time being approved by the Secretary of State for the purposes of section 40(1)(b) of the Act;

“patient” means a person for whom a dentist agrees to provide general dental services;

“the Service Committees and Tribunal Regulations” means the National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) (Scotland) Regulations 1974(a);

“salaried dentist” means a dentist employed by a Health Board at a health centre;

“Scale of Fees” means the scale of fees set out in Determination I of the Statement of Dental Remuneration;

“Special form” means the special estimate form set out in Determination V of the Statement of Dental Remuneration or a form to the like effect;

“Statement of Dental Remuneration” means the Statement published by the Secretary of State pursuant to regulation 26;

“supply” in relation to an appliance includes replacement;

“terms of service” means the provisions of Schedule 1 to these regulations as applicable by virtue of the provisions of regulation 3;

“treatment” means all proper and necessary dental treatment which a dentist usually undertakes for a patient, including examination and advice, the making of reports for the purposes of these regulations, the obtaining of radiographs, scaling, treatment of gums, fillings, extractions, crowning, provision of dentures and their repair, the administration of anaesthetics in connection with any such treatment, and the giving of orders on the appropriate form for drugs or the supply of drugs in accordance with these regulations.

(2) Unless the context otherwise requires, references in these regulations to any enactment shall be construed as references to that enactment as amended or re-enacted by any subsequent enactment.

(3) References in any other regulations to the regulations revoked by these regulations or to any provision thereof shall be construed as references to these regulations or to the corresponding provisions thereof, as the case may be.

(4) Unless the context otherwise requires, any references in these regulations to a numbered regulation is a reference to the regulation bearing that number in these regulations, and any reference in a regulation to a numbered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph bearing that number in that regulation.

(5) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the interpretation of these regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(a) S.I. 1974/504 (1974 I, p. 1793).

(b) 1889 c. 63.

PART II

GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR PROVISION OF GENERAL DENTAL SERVICES

Terms of service

3.—(1) The arrangements which a Health Board is required by section 39 of the Act to make with dentists for the provision of general dental services shall incorporate—

- (a) in the case of a dentist undertaking to provide general dental services otherwise than as a salaried dentist the terms of service contained in Schedule 1 Parts I and II to these regulations; and
- (b) in the case of a dentist undertaking to provide general dental services as a salaried dentist, the terms of service contained in Schedule 1 Parts I and III to these regulations:

Provided that a dentist whose application to a Health Board to provide general dental services at a health centre otherwise than as a salaried dentist has been refused may appeal to the Secretary of State and the Health Board shall give effect to any decision of the Secretary of State on that appeal.

(2) A Health Board may, after consultation with the area dental committee and with the approval of the Secretary of State, make special arrangements with a dentist whereby the dentist undertakes to provide general dental services throughout a district specified in the arrangements, at suitable centres in the district or at the homes of persons requiring such services.

Dental list

4.—(1) The Health Board shall prepare a list, to be called “the dental list”, which shall contain—

- (a) the names of the dentists who, pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (2) have undertaken to provide general dental services in its area,
- (b) the address of any surgery or health centre at which the dentist undertakes to provide general dental services,
- (c) particulars of the days and hours at which he is or will be usually in attendance,
- (d) where two or more dentists practise in partnership, the names of the partners,

and which may, if the Health Board thinks fit, be so arranged as to show the part of the area in which each dentist will provide treatment.

(2) A dentist who wishes to be included in the dental list shall apply to the Health Board in the form set out in Determination V of the Statement of Dental Remuneration or in a form to the like effect, which shall include the matters required by paragraph (1) to be contained in the dental list in relation to him.

(3) A dentist in the dental list shall within 14 days of any change or addition affecting the entries which the dental list is required to contain in relation to him notify the Health Board accordingly.

(4) (a) The Health Board shall send a copy of the dental list to the Secretary of State, the Board and the area dental committee and shall within 14 days of any alterations which may from time to time be made therein inform each of them accordingly.

(b) The Health Board shall also send, if requested to do so, a copy of the list to the area medical and area pharmaceutical committees, the Common Services Agency and any chemist providing pharmaceutical services in their area, and in such event at intervals of not more than three months shall notify them of any alteration made in the dental list:

Provided that, if the Health Board considers that only portions of the dental list, or only some of the alterations thereto, are likely to concern any such committee, Agency or chemist it may send to such committee, Agency or chemist a copy of those portions, or those alterations.

Information about assistants

5. The Health Board shall give to the Board such information as the Secretary of State may require concerning the employment of assistants by dentists.

Removal from dental list

6.—(1) Where a Health Board has determined that a dentist whose name has been included in the dental list—

(a) has died, or

(b) has ceased to be a registered dental practitioner

the Health Board shall remove the dentist's name from the dental list:

Provided that the name of any dentist whose practice is carried on by representatives in accordance with the provisions of the Dentists Act 1957(a) shall not be removed from the dental list so long as the practice is carried on by them in accordance with the provisions of that Act, and the representatives have secured that any dentist appointed by them for that purpose has agreed to be bound by the terms of service.

(2) Where a Health Board has determined in accordance with the succeeding provisions of this regulation that a dentist whose name has been included for the preceding six months in the dental list has not during the period provided general dental services, the Health Board shall remove the dentist's name from the dental list.

(3) Before making any determination under paragraph (2) the Health Board shall—

(a) give the dentist 28 days' notice of their intention to do so,

(b) afford the dentist an opportunity of making representations to the Health Board in writing or, if he so desires, orally to a committee appointed by the Health Board for the purpose, of which committee at least a third of the members shall be dentists from a panel nominated by the area dental committee and

(c) except where the dentist is a salaried dentist, consult the area dental committee.

(4) Nothing in this regulation shall prejudice the right of a dentist to have his name included again in the dental list.

(5) No determination under this regulation shall be made in respect of any dentist who is called into whole-time service in the armed forces of the Crown in a national emergency as a volunteer or otherwise, or compulsory whole-time

(a) 1957 c. 28.

service in those forces, including service resulting from any reserve liability, or any equivalent service by a person liable for whole-time service in those forces, until 6 months after the completion of that service.

Withdrawal from dental list

7. A dentist shall be entitled at any time to give notice in writing to the Health Board that he desires to withdraw his name from the dental list and his name shall be removed therefrom at the expiration of 3 months from the date of such notice or of such shorter period as the Health Board may agree:

Provided that if representations are made to the Tribunal under section 43 of the Act that the continued inclusion of a dentist in the dental list would be prejudicial to the efficiency of the general dental services, he shall not, except with the consent of the Secretary of State and subject to such conditions, if any, as the Secretary of State may impose, be entitled to have his name removed from the dental list pending the termination of the proceedings on such representations.

Arrangements to complete treatment

8.—(1) For the purpose of securing the completion of the treatment of patients whose dentist has ceased to be included in the dental list, the Health Board may after consultation with the area dental committee and with the agreement of the patients concerned make arrangements with one or more dentists on such terms and conditions as the Board may approve for the completion of the treatment of such patients.

(2) Such arrangements shall secure that the treatment carried out by the dentist who has ceased to be included in the dental list and the completion of that treatment by the dentist with whom arrangements are so made shall constitute a single course of treatment for the purpose of the making and recovery of the appropriate charge specified in the provisions set out in regulation 22(1).

(3) Where a dentist ceases to be included in the dental list because he has died, and the Health Board is satisfied that his practice is being carried on in accordance with the provisions of the Dentists Act 1957 it shall, subject to the agreement of the patient, make such arrangements with any dentist appointed by any representatives of the deceased dentist who by virtue of his arrangements with the representatives has agreed to be bound by the terms of service.

PART III

SCOTTISH DENTAL ESTIMATES BOARD

Constitution

9.—(1) The Scottish Dental Estimates Board constituted by the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1948(a) shall continue to subsist, subject to the provisions of this Part of these regulations, for the purpose of the approval of estimates for dental treatment and of carrying out the duties imposed on them by these regulations.

(a) S.I. 1948/1257 (Rev. XV, p. 910: 1948 I, p. 2354).

(2) The Board shall consist of a chairman who shall be a dentist and seven other members of whom five (hereinafter called "dental members") shall be dentists.

(3) The chairman and other members shall be appointed by the Secretary of State after consultation with such organisations as he may recognise as representative of dentists.

(4) If for any period the chairman is unable to act, the Secretary of State, after consultation with such organisations as he may recognise as representative of dentists, may also appoint another dentist as deputy chairman, who shall act in place of the chairman and shall be deemed to be a member of the Board for so long as he holds office, and any reference to the chairman in regulations 10, 13, 15, and 16 shall include a reference to any deputy chairman as aforesaid.

(5) The Board shall continue to be a body corporate.

(6) The Board shall not acquire land except with the consent of the Secretary of State.

Tenure of office

10.—(1) The chairman of the Board shall hold office during the pleasure of the Secretary of State.

(2) A member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring by reason that a member has died or has ceased to hold office in accordance with the next succeeding regulation shall hold office for the remainder of the term of office of the person in whose place he is appointed.

(3) Subject to the provisions of these regulations, a dental member shall hold office until the 31st day of December in the fourth year following the year in which he is appointed:

Provided that, on the expiry of his term of office, such a dental member who has then served for a continuous period exceeding 3 years shall not be eligible for reappointment as a dental member until a further year has elapsed.

(4) Subject to the provisions of these regulations a member, other than a dental member, shall hold office until the 31st day of December in the second year following the year in which he is appointed:

Provided that on the expiry of his term of office such a member shall be eligible for reappointment.

Resignation or removal of members

11.—(1) A member of the Board who desires to resign his membership shall give notice in writing to the Secretary of State.

(2) A member shall, unless the Secretary of State otherwise directs, cease to hold office—

(a) if he has not attended a meeting of the Board for 12 months;

(b) if he is a person whose estates have been sequestrated by a competent Court in Scotland or who has been adjudged bankrupt elsewhere than in Scotland;

(c) if he is convicted of a criminal offence.

- (3) A member, being either—
- (a) a person who holds any paid appointment or office, or other place of profit in the disposal of a Health Board or the Common Services Agency and who is dismissed from such appointment, office, or place of profit, or
 - (b) a person whose name is removed under the provisions of section 43 of the Act from any list prepared under Part IV of the Act,
- shall forthwith cease to be a member.

Functions

12. The Common Services Agency shall provide the services of officers, accommodation and other facilities to enable the Board to carry out its functions.

Chairman

13.—(1) At every meeting of the Board the Chairman, if present, shall preside.

(2) If the chairman is absent from any meeting, the members present at the meeting shall elect from their own number a person to act as chairman for that meeting.

Proceedings

14. The proceedings of the Board shall not be invalidated by any vacancy in the membership of the Board or by any defect in the appointment or qualification of any member thereof.

Standing orders

15. The Board may make, vary and revoke standing orders for the regulation of the proceedings and business of the Board, and in particular—

- (a) for providing that such number of members of the Board, not being less than 3, as the standing orders may specify shall form a quorum; and
- (b) for providing that, subject to such exceptions and qualifications as may be specified in the standing orders, if a member of the Board has any pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in any estimate or matter relating to the general dental services, he shall as soon as practicable disclose the fact to the chairman and shall not take part in the consideration or discussion of any question with respect to the estimate or other matter.

Voting

16. Every question at a meeting of the Board shall be determined by a majority of the votes of the members present and voting on the question, and in case of an equal division of votes the chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

17. Minutes of the proceedings at every meeting of the Board and a record of the attendance of members at such meeting shall be kept.

Reports

18. The Board shall submit to the Secretary of State as soon as may be after the 31st December in each year a report of the Board's proceedings for the year ending on that day and shall also furnish him from time to time with such information in regard to their work as he may require.

PART IV

METHOD OF OBTAINING GENERAL DENTAL SERVICES

Application for services

19. A person requiring general dental services may apply to any dentist whose name appears on any dental list.

Exercise of choice of dentists in certain cases

20. An application to a dentist for general dental services or a signature on an acknowledgement or declaration for the purpose of regulation 22, or on the appropriate form for the purpose of regulation 23 shall be made—

- (a) on behalf of any person under the age of 16, by the mother, or in her absence, the father, or in the absence of both parents, the guardian or other person who has the care of the child;
- (b) on behalf of any other person who is incapable of making such an application by a relative or any person who has the care of such person; and
- (c) on behalf of any person under the age of 18 in the care of a local authority under Part II of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968(a) or under the relevant provisions of the said Part II as applied by section 44(5) of the said Act, by a person duly authorised by that authority:

Provided that the application may not be made by the dentist to whom the application is made.

Examination by dental officer

21. It shall be a condition of obtaining general dental services that a person shall at any time, as may be required by the Board or the Health Board, submit himself for examination by a dental officer.

PART V

CHARGES PAYABLE BY OR ON BEHALF OF PATIENTS

Charges for treatment and appliances

22.—(1) A dentist shall be entitled to make and recover—

- (a) the appropriate charge specified in the schedule to the National Health Service Act 1951(b) as varied by section 1 of the National Health Service Act 1961(c) or by regulations (d) made under section 1(5) and 2 of that

(a) 1968 c. 49.

(b) 1951 c. 31.

(c) 1961 c. 19.

(d) S.I. 1961/915, 1968/1607, 1969/918, 1971/420 (1961 II, p. 1761 ;1968 III, p. 4409; 1969 II, p. 2797; 1971 I, p. 1240).

Act in respect of the supply under these regulations of such dental appliances as are described in the said Schedule;

(b) any charge authorised by section 2 of the National Health Service Act 1952(a) as so varied.

(2) In providing general dental services for which a charge may be made under this regulation a dentist shall comply with the following provisions—

(a) the dentist shall obtain on the appropriate part of the dental estimate form, an acknowledgement by the patient or, where regulation 20 applies, by the appropriate person on his behalf, of his obligation to pay the said charge;

(b) the dentist shall on receiving a sum in payment or part payment of the said charge, give a receipt therefor on a form provided for the purpose by the Health Board or a form to the like effect.

(3) (a) A dentist providing general dental services for a patient who claims exemption, or in respect of whom exemption is claimed, under section 2(4) of the said Act of 1952 or under section 1(3) of the said Act of 1961 from a charge recoverable under paragraph (1) shall obtain from the patient or where regulation 20 applies, from the appropriate person on his behalf, a declaration on the appropriate part of the dental estimate form in support of the claim.

(b) Where the claim for exemption referred to in paragraph (3)(a) is on the grounds of pregnancy or confinement exemption shall be conditional on the production to the Board of such documentary evidence of the relevant pregnancy or confinement as it may require.

(4) The dentist shall obtain any acknowledgement or declaration referred to in paragraphs (2) and (3) before forwarding the dental estimate form to the Board.

(5) Any fee which but for this regulation would be payable by a Health Board to a dentist in respect of the provision of any treatment as part of general dental services shall be reduced by the amount payable in accordance with this regulation in respect of that treatment.

(6) Where a declaration in support of a claim to exemption is made under the provisions of paragraph (3)(a) but the claim is not substantiated and in consequence of the claim a dentist has not recovered a charge in respect of the completion of treatment, the Health Board shall be entitled to recover the said charge from the person concerned, whether or not such person has acknowledged the obligation to pay the charge in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (2).

(7) This regulation except paragraph (5) shall apply to the provision of general dental services by a salaried dentist.

(8) Any payment required to be made under this regulation shall be without prejudice to any other charge authorised by these regulations.

Additional charges for more expensive treatment

23.—(1) Where a dentist agrees at a patient's request and as part of general dental services—

(a) to supply a denture which is of a more expensive type than that which is clinically necessary for dental fitness, or

- (b) to repair such a denture at a cost in excess of the cost of repairing a denture which is so clinically necessary, or
- (c) to supply a bridge which is of a more expensive type than a denture or bridge which is so clinically necessary, or
- (d) to provide conservative treatment consisting of gold fillings, inlays or crowns which is of a more expensive type than the conservative treatment which is so clinically necessary,

he shall submit to the Board:—

- (i) an estimate of the treatment which he considers is clinically necessary for the patient on a dental estimate form, and
- (ii) a further estimate for an additional charge on the supplementary estimate form set out in Determination V of the Statement of Dental Remuneration or on a form to the like effect.

The practitioner shall obtain the signature of the patient, or where regulation 20 applies, the appropriate person on his behalf, on both forms before submitting them to the Board for approval.

(2) If the Board approves the estimates, it shall—

- (a) determine the appropriate charge under the provisions of regulation 22(1) to be made and recovered from the patient for the treatment set out in the estimate, other than the treatment of which a more expensive type has been requested by the patient, and shall indicate in the appropriate part of the dental estimate form the amount of such charge;
- (b) determine and indicate in the appropriate part of the dental estimate form the additional charge for the more expensive treatment which shall be the total of the following amounts—
 - (i) the amount which would be the appropriate charge under the provisions of regulation 22(1) for the items of treatment excluded from the determination under paragraph (2)(a):
Provided that the total of that appropriate charge and the charge determined under paragraph (2)(a) shall not exceed any maximum charge prescribed in regulations made under the provisions set out in regulation 22(1);
 - (ii) the amount of the difference between the cost of the further estimate and the fees prescribed in the Scale of Fees for the items of treatment excluded from the determination under paragraph (2)(a):
Provided that for the purpose of ascertaining this amount any maximum fee other than a maximum at the discretion of the Board prescribed in the Scale of Fees for any combinations of treatment shall be ignored;
- (c) inform the patient of the amount of the additional charge.

(3) The Health Board shall be liable for such part only of the cost of the treatment to which this regulation applies as is not by this regulation and regulation 22 made the liability of the patient.

(4) (a) Where the treatment is provided by a dentist other than a salaried dentist he may make and recover from the patient the additional charge determined under paragraph (2)(b).

(b) Where the treatment to which this regulation applies has been provided by a salaried dentist the Health Board shall make and recover from the patient such additional charge:

Provided that nothing in this sub-paragraph shall preclude a salaried dentist from recovering the additional charge on behalf of the Health Board.

(c) The Health Board shall not be under a duty to make and recover the additional charge from the patient in any other case.

(5) Any denture, bridge or conservative treatment supplied or provided under this regulation which, in the opinion of the Board, is required by the patient solely because of his clinical condition, or any repair of a denture so supplied, shall be supplied or provided without cost to the patient under this regulation.

(6) It shall be a condition of the approval by the Board under this regulation of the estimate and of the further estimate that the dentist shall comply, whether in respect of treatment set out in the dental estimate form or in respect of treatment set out in the further estimate with the conditions with respect to materials set out in Determination III of the Statement of Dental Remuneration.

Charges for replacement

24.—(1) Where the Board on considering an estimate submitted for the approval of a free replacement of a dental appliance supplied to a patient as part of general dental services considers that there are grounds for believing that the replacement may be necessitated by an act or omission on the part of the patient or (if it occurred when he was under sixteen years of age) of his or of the person having charge of him when it occurred, it may refer the matter to the Health Board for investigation.

(2) The Health Board shall make such inquiry into such reference as it thinks fit and if in its opinion the circumstances so require, or if the patient or (if he is under sixteen years of age) the person having charge of him so demands, the inquiry shall take the form of an oral hearing, by a committee of the Health Board constituted for this purpose who shall report to the Health Board thereon.

(3) The Health Board shall consider the report of such committee and shall determine whether the replacement is necessitated by an act or omission on the part of the patient or (if it occurred when he was under sixteen years of age) of his or of the person having charge of him when it occurred and whether the whole or a proportion of the cost of the replacement shall be borne by or on behalf of the patient.

(4) The Health Board shall communicate its decision to the patient, or, where appropriate, to the person having charge of him, to the dentist and the Board, and the Health Board shall be responsible for the payment of such part only of the cost as is not determined to be payable by or on behalf of the patient:

Provided that if subsequently it appears to the Health Board that the payment of the cost or proportion thereof so determined to be borne by or on behalf of the patient would involve undue hardship to the patient or to the person having charge of him as the case may require it may make such contribution thereto as it thinks fit.

Payments and recovery of charges

25.—(1) A dentist may at any time decline to continue or proceed with treatment until he or, as the case may require, the Health Board, has received payment of the appropriate charges payable by or on behalf of a patient in accordance with these regulations.

(2) The dentist, or, either in relation to a case falling within regulation 22(6) or to general dental services provided by a salaried dentist, the Health Board, shall be entitled to recover the said charges as a debt from the patient or where regulation 20 applies from the appropriate person.

PART VI

REMUNERATION OF DENTISTS

Statement of Dental Remuneration

26.—(1) The Secretary of State shall after consultation with such organisations as he may recognise as representing dentists make provision for the matters set out in Column 2 below in determinations as numbered in Column 1 below against the respective matters which he shall publish in a statement called the Statement of Dental Remuneration.

Column 1	Column 2
<i>Determination</i>	<i>Subject matter of determination</i>
I	A Scale of Fees which shall prescribe the fees to be paid for the provision of items of dental treatment as therein specified;
II	Those items of treatment specified in Determination I which may not be provided without the prior approval of the Board;
III	Conditions with respect to materials which shall specify the standards of materials and restrictions in the purpose for which or any conditions subject to which materials may be used in the provision of general dental services;
IV	Seniority Payments;
V	Forms for use in the provision of general dental services.

(2) The Secretary of State may from time to time and after consultation with such organisations as aforesaid amend a determination or any part thereof and shall publish any such amendment in the Statement of Dental Remuneration.

Approval of payments

27.—(1) The Board, where it approves an estimate in respect of treatment completed by a dentist other than a salaried dentist shall authorise in accordance with the Scale of Fees, the fees to be paid by the Health Board to the dentist in respect of such treatment, and in the case of treatment completed by a salaried dentist shall notify such approval to the Health Board and to that dentist.

(2) The Board may at its discretion in cases of orthodontic treatment, authorise payments on account pending completion of treatment.

Drugs

28. The fees payable by a Health Board to a dentist in respect of listed drugs supplied by him in pursuance of Schedule 1 Part I paragraph 11(1) to these regulations for use before a supply can be obtained otherwise shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the Drug Tariff.

Recovery of overpayments

29.—(1) Where a Board or the Health Board considers that it has authorised payment of a fee, or made a payment, as the case may be, to a dentist owing to an error or in circumstances when it was not due and the overpayment is admitted by the dentist, it shall be recovered by deduction from his remuneration. Where the overpayment is not so admitted, the Health Board may refer the matter under regulation 7(1) of the Service Committees and Tribunal Regulations for investigation, and if the Health Board or the Secretary of State on appeal decides that there has been an overpayment, the amount overpaid shall be recovered by deduction from the dentist's remuneration or otherwise.

(2) Recovery of an overpayment under the provisions of this regulation shall be without prejudice to the investigation of an alleged breach of the terms of service.

PART VII

MISCELLANEOUS

Publication of particulars

30. Copies of the dental list, these regulations, the terms of service, the lists of listed drugs and the Statement of Dental Remuneration shall be available for inspection at the offices of the Health Board and such other places in its area as appear to the Health Board to be convenient for informing all persons interested and shall be kept revised and up to date.

Service of documents

31. Any notice which a Health Board is required or authorised by these regulations on the terms of service to give to a dentist shall be sufficiently given if it has been delivered to the dentist or sent by recorded delivery to him at the address last notified by him to the Health Board.

Revocation of regulations and transitional provisions

32.—(1) The regulations named in Schedule 3 to these regulations are hereby revoked:

Provided that—

- (a) such revocation shall not affect any right, privilege, obligation, or liability acquired, accrued or incurred, or any thing duly done or suffered under those regulations;
- (b) such revocation shall not affect any legal proceedings commenced before the revocation, or the commencement of any proceedings to enforce any such right, privilege, obligation, or liability as aforesaid, but any such proceedings may be continued or commenced as if these regulations had not been made;

(c) such revocation shall not affect any acknowledgement, agreement, appeal, application, appointment, approval, arrangement, authority, condition, contract, decision, declaration, dental estimate form, direction, determination, estimate, form, list, notice, requirement or tariff, made, prepared, issued or given under the regulations so revoked, and every such acknowledgement, agreement, appeal, application, appointment, approval, arrangement, authority, condition, contract, decision, declaration, dental estimate form, direction, determination, estimate, form, list, notice, requirement or tariff shall, so far as it could have been made, prepared, issued or given under these regulations, have effect as if it had been so made, prepared, issued or given.

(2) Where a dentist has not completed a course of treatment for a patient in respect of which the form prescribed by the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1966(a) as the dental estimate form was used in compliance with any regulation hereby revoked, that form shall be deemed to be the dental estimate form for the purpose of these regulations.

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SCHEDULE 1

TERMS OF SERVICE

PART I

GENERAL

Interpretation

1. In this Schedule unless the context otherwise requires—

- (a) the expression "the regulations" means the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1974;
- (b) any reference to a numbered regulation is a reference to the regulation bearing that number in the regulations;
- (c) any reference to a numbered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph bearing that number in this Schedule and any reference in a paragraph to a numbered sub-paragraph is a reference to the sub-paragraph bearing that number in that paragraph;
- (d) other words and expressions have the same meaning as in the regulations.

(a) S.I. 1966/1449 (1966 III, p. 3802).

Standard of service

- 2.—(1) In providing general dental services under the regulations, a dentist shall—
- (a) employ a proper degree of skill and attention;
 - (b) except where the special form is used or where the treatment is by agreement between the practitioner and person concerned restricted to the limited treatment mentioned in the following sub-paragraph (being treatment which may be given without the prior approval of the Board) provide the treatment necessary to secure dental fitness which the patient is willing to undergo and subject to the provisions of paragraph 11 hereof satisfactorily complete that treatment;
 - (c) save as is provided in paragraphs 3, 5, 14 and 22 give all treatment personally;
 - (d) comply with any requirements as to the materials to be used and any restrictions on the purpose for which or any conditions subject to which materials may be used, as set out in Determination III of the Statement of Dental Remuneration.
- (2) The limited treatment referred to in the preceding sub-paragraph shall be:—
- (a) emergency treatment in respect of which a special form could be used under the regulations;
 - (b) repairs to dentures at a cost not exceeding the maximum fee prescribed by item 16 of the Scale of Fees;
 - (c) arrest of abnormal haemorrhage;
 - (d) domiciliary visits in connection with arrest of abnormal haemorrhage or treatment falling under sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph.

General anaesthetics

3. A dentist shall be responsible for providing the services of a doctor or another dentist when necessary for the administration of a general anaesthetic in connection with any operation undertaken by him in the provision of general dental services.

Domiciliary visits

4. Without prejudice to any special arrangements made under regulation 3(3) a dentist shall visit and treat a patient whose condition requires a visit any place where that patient may be which is not more than five miles from his surgery or such other limit as the Health Board and the practitioner may agree.

Referral to another dentist or to other services provided under the National Health Service (Scotland) Acts

5. If the condition of a person requiring general dental services is such as to require treatment which the dentist is unable to carry out, but such treatment to the knowledge of the dentist can be provided by another dentist under general dental services, or is otherwise available as part of the services provided under the National Health Service (Scotland) Acts 1947 to 1973 the dentist shall inform the said person of the fact and if the person so wishes, the dentist shall take all necessary steps to enable him to receive such treatment. In referring a person to another dentist or to the other services provided under the Acts, the dentist shall give adequate particulars in writing either beforehand or as soon as possible afterwards, and where that person is a patient shall include a statement of the amount payable to him by the patient under Part V of the regulations in respect of any treatment already provided in the course of treatment during which the referral is made and shall indicate on the dental estimate form that the patient had been so referred for the required treatment.

Records

6.—(1) In each case in which a dentist provides treatment under the regulations he shall keep a record of such information regarding the dental needs of the patient and the treatment provided as the Secretary of State may from time to time require after consultation with any organisation which is in the opinion of the Secretary of State representative of dentists engaged in the provision of general dental services.

(2) A dentist shall retain all films taken or obtained by him as part of treatment for a period of twelve months after completion of that treatment, and shall during that period submit them to the Board when requested so to do.

Use of dental estimate form

7.—(1) In accepting a person for treatment and upon providing treatment for a patient, a dentist—

- (a) shall complete an acceptance card in the form set out in Determination V of the Statement of Dental Remuneration and give it to the patient;
- (b) shall examine the patient and advise the patient as to the whole of the treatment necessary for dental fitness;
- (c) shall at the appropriate time, secure the completion of each relevant part of the dental estimate form as far as applicable by the patient, or, where regulation 20 applies, by the appropriate person;
- (d) shall, at the appropriate time, complete each relevant part of the dental estimate form in accordance with instructions for the completion of such forms, and in particular, shall set out in the form in accordance with such instructions, the whole of the treatment necessary in his opinion to render the patient dentally fit and if the patient is not willing to undergo the whole of such treatment shall note in the appropriate part of the form the particulars of such part of that treatment as the patient is willing to undergo and in the appropriate part of the form particulars of such part of that treatment as the patient is not willing to undergo;
- (e) in completing the dental estimate form, shall not set out therein treatment not necessary in his opinion to render the patient dentally fit.

(2) A dentist shall within one month of the completion of the treatment send to the Board the dental estimate form.

Provision and prior approval of treatment

8.—(1) Where the extent of the treatment the patient is willing to undergo does not include treatment specified in Determination II of the Statement of Dental Remuneration (in this paragraph called "prior approval treatment") the dentist may proceed with and complete the treatment before sending the estimate to the Board for approval.

(2) Where the treatment which the patient is willing to undergo includes treatment so specified the dentist shall not later than 10 days after completing the examination send the estimate to the Board for approval and shall not proceed with any treatment so specified other than emergency treatment until such approval is received:

Provided that the dentist may proceed immediately with the treatment of British merchant seamen and deep sea fishermen about to go to sea, and in such event shall send the estimate to the Board for approval immediately after making the examination.

(3) (a) If during a course of treatment which does not include prior approval treatment, any variation or addition which includes such treatment is found to be necessary, the restrictions on treatment provided by sub-paragraph (2) shall apply to such part of the treatment as has not been commenced and the dentist shall as soon as reasonably practicable submit to the Board an estimate of the whole of the treatment necessary (including that which has been begun).

(b) If during a course of treatment which includes prior approval treatment, any variation of or addition to such treatment is found to be necessary, which is or includes such treatment, the dentist shall without delay re-submit the estimate to the Board for prior approval and the Board may withdraw or vary its original approval in so far as treatment has not yet been carried out in accordance with such approval, or add thereto and, until the decision of the Board is received by the dentist, the restriction on proceeding with treatment contained in sub-paragraph (2) shall apply.

(c) Where in consequence of any proceedings under the Service Committees and Tribunal Regulations in respect of general dental services provided in the area of any Health Board, a dentist is required for any period to submit to the Board for prior approval all estimates in respect of any treatment (other than examination or emergency treatment), he shall during that period submit within 10 days after making the examination all such estimates whether relating to treatment in that or any other area to the Board for approval and shall not carry out such treatment until the approval of the Board has been obtained.

(4) The dentist shall complete treatment with reasonable expedition and except where orthodontic treatment is involved shall not take longer than 6 months from the date upon which the patient is accepted by him for treatment, or where prior approval of the treatment is required, from the date on which such approval is received by him, as the case may be:

Provided that—

- (a) the time limit shall be 12 months in the case of treatment including extractions and the consequent provision of dentures;
- (b) treatment so far as it relates to the provision of dentures shall not be regarded as completed unless the dentures have been delivered to and remain in the possession of the patient;
- (c) the time limit shall not apply where any delay is due to failure by the patient to attend for treatment or where the Health Board is satisfied that there is other sufficient reason.

(5) Where a dentist has been notified that a patient has been requested to submit himself for examination by a dental officer or that the dental services committee set up under the Service Committees and Tribunal Regulations will investigate a complaint or reference relating to the provision by him to such patient of general dental services, the dentist shall not, until he has been notified that the examination has been carried out or cancelled, or that the investigation has been completed by the committee, or that the committee has no objection, provide any treatment other than emergency treatment to that patient, and shall take all reasonable steps to facilitate the said examination or investigation.

Use of special forms

9.—(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in paragraph 8 hereof a dentist, instead of making use of the dental estimate form may, in the case of emergency treatment consisting of such treatment as mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) of this paragraph make use of the special form set out in Determination V of the Statement of Dental Remuneration, and in that event the provisions of the last preceding paragraph shall not apply in respect of such treatment.

(2) The items of treatment to which this paragraph applies are—

- (i) not more than two extractions;
- (ii) administration of a general anaesthetic in connection with items (i), (vii) and (viii);
- (iii) dressing of teeth;
- (iv) arrest of abnormal haemorrhage;

- (v) a single radiological examination involving one intra-oral or extra-oral film (other than a panoramic film or a lateral headplate in conjunction with a cephalometric technique) in connection with treatment under (i), (iii), (iv), (vi), (vii), (viii), (x) and (xi);
- (vi) treatment of infected sockets;
- (vii) incising an abscess;
- (viii) opening a root canal for drainage;
- (ix) treatment described in item 4 of the Scale of Fees;
- (x) removal of sutures;
- (xi) recementing an inlay, a crown or a bridge;
- (xii) treatment described in item 25(e) of the Scale of Fees.

(3) In accepting an application for such emergency treatment, the dentist shall, if he makes use of the special form—

- (a) complete an acceptance card and give it to the applicant;
- (b) obtain the signature of the applicant to Part 1B of the special form;
- (c) carry out the treatment forthwith, enter the required particulars in Part 4 of the special form (including, where appropriate, the name and initials of any persons other than himself operating during anaesthesia and sign Part 2 in his own handwriting;
- (d) obtain the signature of the applicant to Part 3 of the special form; and
- (e) send the special form to the Board within one month of the completion of the treatment.

(4) A dentist shall not submit the form specified in sub-paragraph (1) in respect of treatment of the kind specified in sub-paragraph (2) where he has previously accepted the same patient for other treatment, not yet completed, or where on the same day he accepts him for other treatment. For the purpose of this sub-paragraph other treatment shall not include orthodontic treatment only.

(5) Where a practitioner submits a special form for emergency treatment or a dental estimate form for other limited treatment specified in paragraph 2 hereof, no fee shall be payable for a clinical examination, advice and report.

Inability or unwillingness of dentist to complete treatment

10.—(1) If owing to any cause beyond the control of the dentist or because the dentist refers a patient for treatment under paragraph 5, he is unable to complete any treatment which has been commenced, he shall forthwith notify the Board in writing of the treatment completed, and of the reason for his inability to complete the remainder.

(2) The Health Board may, on the application of a dentist, authorise him on such terms as they think just to discontinue any treatment which he has commenced, but before doing so they shall consider any representations which the patient may wish to make with respect to the application, and if the application is granted the patient and the Board shall be so informed.

(3) In any case falling under sub-paragraphs (1) or (2) the Board shall authorise without prejudice to the provisions of Part V of the regulations, such payment as it may consider appropriate in respect of such treatment as has already been provided.

Drugs

11.—(1) A dentist may supply to a patient such listed drugs as are required for immediate administration or application or for use before a supply can be obtained under paragraph 12.

(2) A dentist may personally administer to a patient any drug required for the treatment of that patient.

12.—(1) A dentist shall order by issuing to a patient a prescription on a form to be provided by the Health Board for the purpose, such listed drugs (other than those supplied under paragraph 11) as are requisite for the treatment of the patient. The prescription shall be signed by the dentist and shall not refer to a previous prescription.

(2) Such a prescription shall not be issued to persons other than patients and a separate prescription shall be issued for each patient.

Signatures

13. Any signature by a dentist required by the regulations or terms of service shall be written in ink with his initials or forenames and with his surname in his own handwriting and not by means of a stamp.

Ancillary dental workers

14. A dentist may in the provision of general dental services arrange for treatment to be given in accordance with the provisions of regulations having effect under Section 41 of the Dentists Act 1957(a) by an ancillary dental worker to whom those regulations apply and shall ensure that such treatment is properly completed.

Revision of terms of service

15.—(1) The Health Board may, with the approval of the Secretary of State, alter the terms of service as from such date as the Secretary of State may approve by giving notice of the proposed alteration to each dentist.

(2) Except in the case of an alteration which results from the coming into operation of any Act of Parliament or from any amendment of any regulation, the Health Board shall before making an alteration consult with the area dental committee and the alteration shall not come into operation within a period of three months from the date of the issue of the notice.

Incorporation of provisions, disputes, appeals, etc.

16. Any provisions of the following affecting the rights and obligations of dentists shall be deemed to form part of the terms of service—

- (a) (i) the regulations;
- (ii) the Statement of Dental Remuneration;
- (b) so much of Part II of the Service Committees and Tribunal Regulations as relates to
 - (i) the investigation of questions arising between dentists and their patients, and other investigations to be made by the dental services committee and the joint services committee and the action which may be taken by the Health Board as a result of such investigations, including the withholding of remuneration from a dentist where there has been a breach of the terms of service;
 - (ii) appeals to the Secretary of State from decisions of the Health Board and the Board; and
 - (iii) the investigation of excessive dental treatment.

PART II

ADDITIONAL TERMS OF SERVICE FOR DENTISTS OTHER THAN
SALARIED DENTISTS*Premises*

17.—(1) A dentist shall provide proper and sufficient surgery and waiting room accommodation for his patients.

(2) A dentist's surgery shall be furnished with suitable equipment and a dentist shall provide treatment with suitable instruments.

(3) A dentist on receipt of reasonable notice in writing shall at all reasonable times admit a dental officer for the purpose of inspecting them to any surgery or waiting room under the dentist's control.

Records

18. The record referred to in paragraph 6 shall be the property of the dentist who shall retain it, in the case of treatment requiring the Board's prior approval for 4 years after the end of the financial year ending the 31st March in which payment was made in respect of that treatment, or in any other case for 2 years after the end of the said financial year and shall during the period of retention produce or send the record, or a certified copy thereof, within 14 days of any requirement so to do to the Board, the Health Board or a dental officer, as shall be specified in such requirement.

Fees and remuneration

19.—(1) A dentist shall be paid fees or other remuneration as provided in or under the regulations in respect of any treatment which he has provided under general dental services.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in the regulations, a dentist shall not demand or accept the payment of any fee or remuneration in respect of any treatment—

- (a) which he is required to give or has provided under the general dental services;
- (b) which has not been provided or for which a claim has already been submitted to the Board;
- (c) for which payment is excluded by the provisions of the Scale of Fees precluding payment for services provided within a specified period of time, or for services provided without approval of the Board;
- (d) which has been provided otherwise than in accordance with the conditions with respect to materials set out in Determination III of the Statement of Dental Remuneration:

Provided that this sub-paragraph shall not have effect in relation to any claim made by a dentist in respect of loss of remunerative time resulting from failure of a patient to keep an appointment.

Use of dental estimate form

20. A deputy or assistant who signs a dental estimate form or any part of it on behalf of the dentist for whom he is acting shall do so in his own name and except where he is a partner whose name is included in the dental list shall also insert the name of that dentist.

Drugs

21. A deputy or assistant who issues under paragraph 12 a prescription for listed drugs shall in addition to signing his own name on such prescription insert thereon the name of the dentist for whom he is acting.

Deputies and assistants

22.—(1) Where a dentist is prevented from providing treatment by reason of temporary absence from his practice through illness or other reasonable cause, treatment may be given by a deputy.

(2) In the case of two or more dentists practising in partnership or as a principal and assistant, treatment may at any time be given by a partner or an assistant of the dentist who is responsible for the patient's treatment, if reasonable steps are taken to secure continuity of treatment.

(3) A dentist shall not employ more than two assistants at any one time for the provision of general dental services without the consent of the Health Board or Health Boards in whose areas he is providing such services, or on appeal the Secretary of State, and before giving any consent under this sub-paragraph a Health Board shall consult the area dental committee for its area:

Provided that any consent given by or under this sub-paragraph shall be subject to review by the Health Board in consultation with the area dental committee not less than once a year.

(4) A dentist shall notify the Health Board of the employment of an assistant within 7 days of the first day of employment and forward to the Health Board such particulars concerning the assistant as the Health Board may require; and on ceasing to employ an assistant he shall notify the Health Board within 7 days of the cessation of that employment.

(5) If a dentist intends to absent himself from his practice for more than 21 consecutive days he shall notify the Health Board of his intended absence and of the deputy or assistant (if any) responsible for providing general dental services during his absence.

(6) A dentist who intends to be or is absent from his practice for more than two months shall notify the Health Board in writing and shall not employ an assistant during the period in excess of two months of such absence without the consent of the Health Board.

(7) A dentist shall not employ as an assistant any dentist who is included in the dental list of a Health Board as a dentist undertaking to provide general dental services at a surgery or suite of surgeries at which the first named dentist undertakes to provide general dental services.

(8) Where a dentist employs an assistant who to the dentist's knowledge is subject to a requirement to submit estimates of any treatment (other than examination or emergency treatment) to the Board for prior approval, he shall not allow that assistant to carry out such treatment unless the prior approval of the Board has first been obtained.

(9) A dentist shall not, without the consent of the Secretary of State, employ as a deputy or assistant for the purpose of the provision of general dental services any dentist who is disqualified under the provisions of section 43 of the Act for inclusion in the dental list of any Health Board.

(10) A dentist who is included in the dental list when acting as deputy to another dentist who also is included in that list, shall be responsible for his own acts and omissions in relation to the obligations under these terms of service of the dentist for whom he acts as deputy and for the acts and omissions of any person employed by him.

(11) A deputy shall be entitled to provide general dental services at places or at times other than those arranged by the dentist for whom he is acting, due regard being had to the convenience of patients.

Fair wages for dental technicians

23. A dentist who employs a dental technician shall pay rates of wages and observe hours and conditions of work not less favourable than those approved for the time being by the National Joint Council for the Craft of Dental Technicians.

PART III**ADDITIONAL TERMS OF SERVICE FOR SALARIED DENTISTS***Attendance*

24.—(1) A dentist shall attend at the health centre on such days and at such hours as may be agreed between the Health Board and the dentist.

(2) The dentist shall not without the permission of the Health Board, be entitled to provide at the health centre any treatment which is not part of general dental services.

General anaesthetics

25. The Health Board or the salaried dentist on behalf of the Health Board shall pay to a doctor or another dentist for the provision of a general anaesthetic by virtue of arrangements made under paragraph 3 a fee not exceeding the fee in the Scale of Fees appropriate to the item of treatment provided.

Records

26. The record referred to in paragraph 6 shall be the property of the Health Board who shall within 14 days of any requirement so to do, produce or send it or a certified copy thereof to the Board or to the dental officer, as they may specify in such requirement. The dentist and the Health Board as the case may be shall also supply to the Board or the dental officer such information with regard to the treatment of patients as they may request.

Remuneration

27.—(1) A dentist shall be paid such remuneration in respect of his obligations under these terms of service as the Secretary of State may determine from time to time by regulations or otherwise.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in the regulations a dentist shall not demand or accept from any patient or from any other person the payment of any fee or remuneration in respect of any treatment which he is required to give under these terms of service.

Patients' charges

28. The dentist shall account for and pay over to the Health Board, in such manner as they may require, any charges which he shall make and recover from the patient or as the case may be the appropriate person on behalf of the patient under the provisions of Part V of the regulations.

Drugs

29. Any drugs supplied under paragraph 11 shall be obtained by the dentist in such manner as the Health Board may require.

Termination of services

30.—(1) Any arrangement between a Health Board and a salaried dentist for the provision of general dental services may be terminated by either party giving to the other three months notice in writing:

Provided that if such dentist shall fail to comply with any of these terms of service the Health Board may terminate the agreement by giving him one month's notice in writing.

(2) The Health Board may at any time suspend a salaried dentist from the discharge of his duties, but such suspension shall not affect the right of the salaried dentist to receive remuneration during the continuance thereof.

SCHEDULE 2

PROVISIONS CONFERRING POWERS EXERCISED IN MAKING THESE REGULATIONS

<i>Column 1</i>		<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Enactment conferring power</i>		<i>Relevant amending enactment</i>
The National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1947	Section 39	The National Health Service (Amendment) Act 1949(a), sections 11 and 14(3).
	40	The Health Services and Public Health Act 1968(b), Schedule 4.
		The National Health Service (Amendment) Act 1949, section 16.
	41	The Health Services and Public Health Act 1968, section 30.
		The National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973(c), Schedule 4.
	45	The National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972, Schedule 6, Part I.
46	The Health Services and Public Health Act 1968, section 39.	
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The National Health Service Act 1951(d)	Section 1 and Schedule	The National Health Service Act 1961(e), sections 1 and 2.
The National Health Service Act 1952(f)	Section 2	The National Health Service Act 1961, sections 1 and 2.
	7(6)	The National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972, Schedule 6, Part I.
The National Health Service Act 1961	Section 1	The National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972, Schedule 6, Part I.
	2	—
The Health Services and Public Health Act 1968	Section 29	The National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972, Schedule 6, Part I, and Schedule 7.
The National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972	Section 16	—

(a) 1949 c. 93.

(c) 1973 c. 32.

(e) 1961 c. 19.

(b) 1968 c. 46.

(d) 1951 c. 31.

(f) 1952 c. 25.

SCHEDULE 3

REGULATIONS REVOKED

The National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1966	S.I. 1966/1449 (1966 III, p. 3802),
The National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1967	S.I. 1967/947 (1967 II, p. 2898).
The National Health Service (Charges for Dental Treatment) (Scotland) Regulations 1968	S.I. 1968/557 (1968 I, p. 1296).
The National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1969	S.I. 1969/254 (1969 I, p. 644).
The National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1969	S.I. 1969/436 (1969 I, p. 1276).
The National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1970	S.I. 1970/1340 (1970 III, p. 4486).
The National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1972	S.I. 1972/96 (1972 I, p. 265).
The National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1972	S.I. 1972/1348 (1972 II, p. 4089).
The National Health Service (General Dental Services Seniority Payments) (Scotland) Regulations 1972	S.I. 1972/1862 (1972 III, p. 5426).
The National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1973	S.I. 1973/1536 (1973 III, p. 4790).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations consolidate with amendments the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1966 as amended. The principal amendment enables the Secretary of State to publish in a separate document called the Statement of Dental Remuneration, the details of treatment and the materials used in treatment under the general dental services and the remuneration for dentists providing these services.

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