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## NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, SCOTLAND

The National Health Service (Increase of Dental Charges)  
(Scotland) Regulations 1985

<i>Made</i> - - - - -	7th March 1985
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	11th March 1985
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	1st April 1985

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 70(1), 71(1) and 108(1) of and paragraphs 2(1) and (2) and 3(1) to (3) of Schedule 11 to the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978(a), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby make the following regulations:—

*Citation, commencement and interpretation*

1.— (1) These regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Increase of Dental Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 1985 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1985.

(2) In these regulations, “the principal regulations” means the National Health Service (Dental and Optical Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 1979(b).

*Amendment of the principal regulations*

2.— (1) In regulation 6(1)(a)(i) of the principal regulations, for the reference to “£59” there shall be substituted a reference to “£63”.

(2) In regulation 6(1)(a)(ii) of the principal regulations, for the reference to “£30” there shall be substituted a reference to “£33”.

(3) For regulation 6(1)(b) of the principal regulations, there shall be substituted the following subparagraph:—

“(b) of any one or more items of service, other than those specified in paragraph (1)(a), which are provided under any contract or arrangement for the provision of general dental services, and which are subject to a charge under section 71(1) of the Act, shall—

- (i) where the total sum of the current authorised fees for such item or items of service is £17.00 or less, be an amount equal to that total sum; and

(a) 1978 c. 29; Schedule 11, paragraph 2 was amended by the Health Services Act 1980 (c. 53), Schedule 5, paragraph 6.

(b) S.I. 1979/705; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1982/333, 1984/293.

- (ii) where the total sum of the current authorised fees for such item or items of service is more than £17.00, be an amount equal to the aggregate of £17.00 and 40% (rounded down, if necessary, to the nearest whole penny) of the amount by which the said total sum exceeds £17.00.”.

3. For regulation 8 of the principal regulations, there shall be substituted the following regulation:—

*“Maximum Charge*

8. The amount of the charge which may be made and recovered pursuant to the provisions of regulations 5 and 6 in respect of any contract or arrangement for the provision of general dental services shall not exceed £115.00.”.

4. For Schedule 1 to the principal regulations, there shall be substituted the following Schedule:—

“SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 5(1)

CHARGES FOR DENTAL APPLIANCES

Column 1 Description of appliance	Column 2 Charge £
1. A metal or porcelain based denture having 1 to 3 teeth.....	50.00
having 4 to 8 teeth.....	52.00
having more than 8 teeth.....	55.00
2. More than one metal or porcelain based denture	98.00
3. A denture based in materials other than metal or porcelain having 1 to 3 teeth.....	26.00
having 4 to 8 teeth.....	28.00
having more than 8 teeth.....	30.00
4. More than one denture based in materials other than metal or porcelain.....	47.00

*Note:* A bridge, whether fixed or removable which takes the place of any teeth is deemed to be a denture having that number of teeth(a).”.

*Application*

5. These regulations shall apply only in relation to—

- (a) the supply of a dental appliance, otherwise than under Part II of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978, where the examination,

(a) See Schedule 11, paragraph 6 to the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978.

or the first such examination, leading to such supply takes place after 31st March 1985;

- (b) the provision of general dental services, where the contract or arrangement leading to the supply as part of those services of a dental appliance, or to the provision, other than such supply, of dental services, is made after 31st March 1985.

New St Andrew's House,  
Edinburgh.  
7th March 1985.

*George Younger,*  
One of Her Majesty's Principal  
Secretaries of State.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations further amend the National Health Service (Dental and Optical Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 1979 by increasing charges for the supply of certain dental appliances and for the provision of dental treatment under the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978.

From 1st April 1985 the charges for dental appliances, and for crowns, inlays, inlays and gold fillings provided under the general dental services, will rise by sums varying from £2.00 to £6.00. For other treatment provided under the general dental services, the patient will pay the full cost up to £17.00, an increase of £2.50, and 40% of any cost above that sum (no additional charge having been payable previously). The maximum charge for a course of treatment under the general dental services will rise to £115, an increase of £5.

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