
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2000 No. 241

OSTEOPATHS

The General Osteopathic Council (Professional Conduct Committee) (Procedure) Rules Order of Council 2000

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Coming into force 8th March 2000

**THE GENERAL OSTEOPATHIC COUNCIL
(PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT COMMITTEE)
(PROCEDURE) RULES ORDER OF COUNCIL 2000**

This Order may be cited as the General Osteopathic Council...
Signature

THE GENERAL —
OSTEOPATHIC
COUNCIL
PROFESSIONAL
CONDUCT
COMMITTEE
(PROCEDURE)
RULES 2000

PART I — PRELIMINARY

The General Osteopathic Council is exercise of their powers under...

1. Citation and commencement
2. Interpretation

PART II — INITIAL CONSIDERATIONS

3. Frequency of meetings
4. Action following referral
5. The Chairman shall select from amongst the full membership of...
6. No person shall be eligible to sit on a panel...
7. Notice to the osteopath concerned
8. Without prejudice to rule 7, after referral of a case...
9. Subject to rule 10, the Committee shall send notice of...
10. No hearing shall be fixed for a date which occurs...

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11. Representation
 12. Witnesses
 13. Additional evidence
 14. Access to documents
 15. Notice to produce documents
 16. Legal assessor
 17. Openness of hearings
 18. Postponement of hearing
 19. Cancellation of hearing
- PART III — CONDUCT OF THE HEARING**
20. Proceedings in the absence of the osteopath
 21. Introductions
 22. The complaint
 23. (1) At this point the osteopath or his representative may...
 24. If, at any stage of the hearing, it appears to...
 25. If, at any stage of the hearing, it appears to...

Presentation of the Case

26. Cases relating to conviction
 27. Cases relating to conduct or incompetence
 28. (1) The osteopath or his representative may then address the...
 29. Consideration by the Committee
 30. If it so determines it must next decide whether the...
 31. Announcement of the finding
 32. Where the Committee finds the complaint not to be proved...
 33. Plea in mitigation
 34. Questions by the Committee
 35. Consideration of sanctions
 36. Announcement of sanction
 37. In any case where the Committee has imposed conditions on...
 38. The Committee shall notify the osteopath of its decision, its...
 39. The Committee shall also notify the complainant of the Committee's...
 40. Interim Suspension Orders
 41. Revocation of interim suspension orders
 42. Consideration of allegations against two or more osteopaths
 43. Multiple allegations against an osteopath
 44. Reconvening of the Committee
- PART IV — REVIEW PROCEDURES**
45. Procedure on resumed or review hearings
 46. If since the original hearing any new allegation against the...
 47. At any meeting at which the proceedings are resumed, or...
 48. The Committee shall then hear the osteopath or his representative...
 49. It shall be the duty of the Committee, where the...
 50. If the Committee judges that the osteopath has complied, it...
 51. If the Committee judges that the osteopath has failed to...
 52. Where previously the Committee had directed that an osteopath's registration...
 53. The Chairman shall announce the determinations of the Committee in...
 54. Subject to the provisions of the Act, the validity of...

General Matters

55. Adjournment

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56. Evidence
57. (1) The Committee may, if satisfied that the interests of...
58. All parties to the proceedings shall be entitled to seek...
59. The Committee may deliberate in camera with or without the...
60. Legal representation
61. Record of proceedings
62. Referral to the Health Committee
63. If, following a referral under this rule, the Health Committee...
64. If, following a reference to the Health Committee, the Health...
65. Postal service of documents

Explanatory Note

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. rule 26A inserted by [S.I. 2009/1182 Sch. 4 para. 19](#) (This effect comes into force on the coming into force of s. 44(1) of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (c. 47). S. 44(1) was repealed without ever being in force on 10.9.2012 by 2012 c. 9, s. 75(6), Sch. 10 Pt. 5; S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2)
- Sch. rule 65(4) omitted by [S.I. 2020/596 Sch. para. 3\(c\)](#)
- Sch. rule 65(1) word omitted by [S.I. 2020/596 Sch. para. 3\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. rule 65(1) words inserted by [S.I. 2020/596 Sch. para. 3\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Sch. rule 65 title words substituted by [S.I. 2020/596 Sch. para. 3\(a\)](#)