



Medical Act 1983

1983 CHAPTER 54

^{F1}PART IIIA

LICENCE TO PRACTISE AND REVALIDATION

Duty of General Council to make regulations

29A Regulations as to licence to practise and revalidation

- (1) Any reference in this Act to a “licence to practise” is a reference to a licence granted under and in accordance with this Part to a medical practitioner by a licensing authority.
- (2) The General Council shall make regulations with respect to licences to practise.
- (3) The provisions made by regulations under subsection (2) above must include provision for or in connection with each of the matters specified in subsection (4) below.
- (4) Those matters are—
 - (a) grant of a licence to practise;
 - (b) refusal of a licence to practise;
 - (c) withdrawal of a licence to practise; and
 - ^{F1}(d) revalidation of a medical practitioner of a prescribed description whenever a licensing authority sees fit to do so, either as a condition of the practitioner’s continuing to hold a licence to practise or of the practitioner’s licence to practise being restored.]
- (5) In this Part—

“licensing authority” means—

 - (a) the Registrar;
 - (b) ^{F2}a ...^{F2}Registration Panel];
 - (c) such other committee of the General Council as may be prescribed; or
 - (d) such other officer of the General Council as may be prescribed;

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“prescribed” means prescribed by regulations made by the General Council under subsection (2) above; and

“revalidation” means evaluation of a medical practitioner’s fitness to practise.

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 29A(4)(d) substituted (3.12.2012 immediately after the commencement of S.I. 2002/3135, art. 10 in so far as it relates to 1983 c. 54, ss. 29A(4)(d), 29C and S.I. 2006/1914, art. 65 (and art. 2 in so far as it relates to art. 65)) by [The Medical Profession \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/3131\)](#), art. 1(4), **Sch. 1 para. 8(2)**; S.I. 2012/2686, arts. 1(3), 2(a)(i)
- F2** Words in s. 29A(5)(b) substituted (19.7.2006, 9.9.2009 in so far as not already in force as notified in the London Gazette dated 21.8.2009) by [The Medical Act 1983 \(Amendment\) and Miscellaneous Amendments Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1914\)](#), art. 1(2)(b)(c)(3), **3(2)(a)**

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 29A(4)(d) words added by [S.I. 2006/1914 art. 65](#) (This amendment has been superseded by the substitution of s. 29A(4)(d) by [SI 2008/3131, Sch. 1 para. 8\(2\)](#))
- s. 29A(5) word omitted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 8\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 29A(5) words inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 8\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 29A(5) words inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 8\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 29A(5) words inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 8\(3\)\(d\)](#)
- s. 29A(5) words omitted by [S.I. 2010/234 Sch. 1 para. 1\(a\)](#)
- s. 29A(5) words omitted by [S.I. 2010/234 Sch. 1 para. 1\(b\)](#)

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

- Act words substituted by [2005 c. 4 Sch. 11 para. 6](#)

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

- s. 29B(2A)-(2C) inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 9\(2\)](#)
- s. 29B(2A)(a) word substituted by [S.I. 2010/234 Sch. 1 para. 2](#)
- s. 29B(3A) inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 9\(3\)](#)
- s. 29E(1)(d)(e) inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 12\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 29E(2)(e)(f) inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 12\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 29F(1)(d)(e) inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 14\(3\)](#)
- s. 35C(2)(f)(g) inserted by [S.I. 2008/1774 Sch. 1 para. 15](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). It was due to come into force on the coming into force of s. 44(1) of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (c. 47), see art. 1(4). 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](#))
- s. 35ZA inserted by [2008 c. 14 Sch. 7 para. 4](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 1A(1)(b)(iv)(v) inserted by [S.I. 2024/374 Sch. 5 para. 1\(2\)\(b\)\(iii\)](#)
- Sch. 3B para. 5(d)(e) inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 19\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3B para. 6(1)(d)(e) inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 19\(3\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 3B para. 6(2)(d)(e) inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 19\(3\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 3B para. 7(1)(d)(e) inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 19\(4\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 3B para. 7(2)(c) and word inserted by [S.I. 2008/3131 Sch. 1 para. 19\(4\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)