

Notice Under the Legislation Act 2019 of Prescribed Qualifications for General Dental Practice

Under the Legislation Act 2019, notice is given of the making of the following secondary legislation:

<i>Title</i>	<i>Empowering provision(s)</i>	<i>Administering agency</i>	<i>Date made</i>
Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003	Section 12	Dental Council	July 2023

This secondary legislation can be accessed at: <http://dcnz.org.nz/resources-and-publications/resources/gazette-notices/>.

The following replaces the prescribed qualifications for the scope of practice for general dental practice as published in the [New Zealand Gazette, 12 November 2021, Notice No. 2021-sl4804](#). The scope of practice and competencies for general dental practice published in in the [New Zealand Gazette, 12 November 2021, Notice No. 2021-sl4804](#) remain unchanged.

Prescribed qualifications for the scope of practice for general dental practice

New Zealand

- Bachelor of Dental Surgery, University of Otago.
- Bachelor of Dental Surgery with Honours, University of Otago.

Australia

- an Australian Dental Council (ADC) accredited programme¹.
- a Dental Board of Australia approved programme of study providing a qualification for the purpose of registration in general dentistry in Australia².
- a five-year undergraduate dental degree and a pass in the Australian Dental Council licensing examinations.

General Dental Council (GDC) accredited dental schools in the UK and Commonwealth countries.

- a GDC accredited undergraduate dental degree from a GDC accredited dental school in the UK, or Commonwealth as listed below.

Dental School	Dates of recognition - student must have completed and satisfied all programme requirements before the end-date listed below
Western Cape	Before 1 January 1998
Hong Kong	Before 1 January 2001
Singapore	Before 1 January 2001
Witwatersrand	Before 1 January 2001
Pretoria	Before 1 January 2001
Stellenbosch	Before 1 January 2001
Medical University of South Africa	1 January 1997 - 31 December 2000
Malaysia	1 January 1997 - 31 December 2000

Ireland

- an accredited undergraduate dental degree from the Dental Council of Ireland³.

USA and Canada

- an accredited undergraduate dental degree from the Commission on Dental Accreditation in the USA or the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada.
- a five-year undergraduate dental degree and a pass in the USA licensing examinations.
- a five-year undergraduate dental degree and a pass in the National Dental Examining Board of Canada

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Equivalency Examination Process⁴.

Other

- a five-year undergraduate dental degree and a pass in the New Zealand Dental Registration Examinations⁵.

Dated this 25th day of July 2023.

MARIE MacKAY, Chief Executive, Dental Council New Zealand.

Endnotes

1. Before 30 June 2010, and before 17 October 2010 for Western Australia.
2. From 1 July 2010 onwards, and 18 October 2010 onwards for Western Australia.
3. Graduate cohorts from 2022 onwards.
4. A pass in any of the National Dental Examining Board of Canada Equivalency Examinations after 3 March 2014.
5. Administered by the National Dental Examining Board of Canada on behalf of the Dental Council since August 2015.

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