



**DENTAL COUNCIL**  
**National Dental Council of Cambodia**

Phnom Penh, June 07, 2019

**DECISION**

**ON**

**CRITERIA AND REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION AND LICENSING TO  
PRACTICE DENTAL PROFESSION**

**National Dental Council of Cambodia**

- Referred to the Constitution of the Kingdom of Cambodia
- Referred to the Royal Decree no. នស/រកត/0918/925 dated on September 06, 2018 on the establishment of the Royal Government of Cambodia
- Referred to the Royal Krom no. នស/រកម/0618/012 dated on June 28, 2018 on the establishment and the operation of the Council of Ministers
- Referred to the Royal Krom no. នស/រកម/1116/014 dated on November 19, 2016 on the promulgation of the law on the management of health practitioners
- Referred to the Royal Decree no. នស/រកត/0905/396 dated on September 02, 2005 on the establishment of the Dental Council of Cambodia
- Referred to the sub-decree no. 156.អនក្រ.បក dated on September 16, 2009 on the Code of Dental Ethics
- Referred to the sub-decree no. 1356.អនក្រ.តត dated on September 10, 2014 on the recognition of the National Board of the Dental Council of Cambodia
- Referred to the Decision no. 0019/15 កទជ dated on March 26, 2015 on the Internal Rules of the Dental Council of Cambodia
- Referred to the necessity

**HEREBY DECIDES**

**Article 1-** National and foreign dentists wishing to practice dentistry in Cambodia shall request for registration and license to practice from Dental Council of Cambodia.

**Article 2-** National dentists who request for registration shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. Hold the relevant qualification for the profession recognized by the ministry of health
- b. Have never been convicted of any crimes
- c. Have no mental or physical conditions that may impact on their ability to practice dentistry

**Article 3-** National dental professional practitioners who request for a license to practice dentistry shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. Have finished their study no longer than 2 years
- b. Have shown their updated experience
- c. Have never been convicted of any crimes
- d. Have no mental or physical conditions that may impact on their ability to practice dentistry
- e. Have never committed any dental professional misconduct

**Article 4 –** Foreign dentists who request for registration shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. Hold the relevant qualification for the profession as recognized by the Embassy or a competent authority from the country of origin
- b. Have never been convicted of any crimes
- c. Hold a valid membership of the Dental Council of the country of origin
- d. Have at least five years of professional experience

**Article 5 –** Foreign dental practitioners who request for relicensing shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. Have shown their updated experience
- b. Hold a valid membership of the Dental Council of the country of origin
- c. Hold a valid membership of the Dental Council of Cambodia
- d. Have never been convicted of any crimes
- e. Have no mental or physical conditions that may impact on their ability to practice dentistry
- f. Have never committed any dental professional misconduct

**Article 6 –** Foreign dentists who request for a short-term registration (attending a conference, a seminar, a research ... etc. with a direct contact with patients) shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. Hold the relevant qualification for the profession as recognized by the Embassy or a competent authority of the country of origin
- b. Hold a valid membership of the Dental Council of the country of origin
- c. Have at least five years of professional experience

**Article 7 –** To apply for registration with Dental Council of Cambodia, the applicants shall:

- a. Have a Cambodian National ID card or a passport
- b. Hold a dental diploma recognized by the Ministry of Health
- c. Have a criminal letter issued by the Ministry of Justice or a Civil Servant ID card
- d. Have knowledge of the sub-decree on dental codes of conducts and other regulations relevant to dental profession
- e. Have an invoice
- f. Complete the online application at [www.hpc](http://www.hpc) / RMS registration management system

The validity of registration with Dental Council of Cambodia is permanent as a dental professional practitioner.

**Article 8 –** To apply for a license to practice dental profession, the dental professional practitioners shall:

- a. Have a physical and mental health certificate issued by the administration of a public hospital
- b. Have a criminal letter issued by the Ministry of Justice or a Civil Servant ID card
- c. Have certificate of attendant in CPD activities (CPD points)

- d. Have knowledge of the sub-decree on dental codes of conducts and other regulations relevant to dental profession
- e. Have an invoice
- f. Complete the online application at [www.hpc](http://www.hpc) / RMS registration management system

The application for a license to practice shall be approved by the National Board of Dental Council of Cambodia in no longer than sixty days from the date of the submission of complete and correct applications.

Dental license to practice is valid for three years and is renewable by submission of an application for a license to practice dental profession.

**Article 9** – The application for relicensing to practice dental profession shall be made within fifteen days (15 days) before the current license is expired. In case that the request for relicensing is made after the current license is expired, the following fines shall be imposed:

- a. Less than three months : 200,000.00 Riel (Twenty thousand Riel)
- b. Less than six months : 400,000.00 Riel (Forty thousand Riel)
- c. Longer than six months : the license to practice shall be revoked for one year
- d. Longer than twelve months : the license to practice shall be revoked for two years
- e. Longer than twenty-four months: the membership with Dental Council of Cambodia shall be terminated

The validity of the relicense shall be effective from the date the previous license is expired.

**Article 10** – Dental professional practitioners who have not had a license to practice longer than two years after they have finished their studies shall meet the following criteria:

- a. Have practiced dental profession for one year under the supervision of other dental professional practitioners who hold a license to practice
- b. Have a letter of good practice at the end of their dental professional practice

**Article 11** – To apply for registration with Dental Council of Cambodia, foreign dentists shall:

- a. Hold a passport and a multiple entry visa
- b. Have a dental diploma certified by the Embassy or a competent authority in the country of origin
- c. Hold a valid dental license to practice
- d. Have a Certificate of Good Standing issued by Dental Council of the country of origin
- e. Have a valid criminal record from the country of origin
- f. Have a letter certifying the dental professional practice issued by the hosting organization in the Kingdom of Cambodia
- g. Have knowledge of the sub-decree on dental codes of conducts and other regulations relevant to dental profession
- h. Complete the online application at [www.hpc](http://www.hpc) / RMS registration management system

The application for a license to practice shall be approved by the National Board of Dental Council of Cambodia in no longer than sixty days from the date of the submission of complete and correct applications.

The initial registration for foreign dentists shall be valued as a license to practice and valid for one year.

**Article 12** – To apply for a relicense to practice, foreign dental professional practitioners shall:

- a. Hold a passport with a multiple entry visa
- b. Hold a valid dental license to practice
- c. Have a valid criminal record from the country of origin
- d. Have a letter certifying the dental professional practice issued by the hosting organization in the Kingdom of Cambodia
- e. Have knowledge of the sub-decree on dental codes of conducts and other regulations relevant to dental profession
- f. Have certificate of attendant in CPD activities (CPD points)
- g. Have never committed any dental professional misconducts in the country of origin or in Cambodia
- h. Complete the online application at [www.hpc](http://www.hpc) / RMS registration management system

The application for a relicense to practice shall be approved by the National Dental Council of Cambodia in no longer than one month from the date of the submission of complete and correct applications.

The validity of the relicense for foreign dentists shall be valid for one year and renewable.

**Article 13** – The application for a relicense to practice dental profession for foreign dentists shall be made within fifteen days (15 days) before the current license is expired. In case that the request for relicensing is made after the current license is expired, the following fines shall be imposed:

- a. Less than two months : 400,000.00 Riel (Twenty thousand Riel)
- b. Less than four months : 800,000.00 Riel (Forty thousand Riel)
- c. Longer than four months : apply for a new registration

The application for a relicense to practice shall be approved by the National Board of Dental Council of Cambodia in no longer than ten days from the date of the submission of complete and correct applications.

**Article 15** - The National Board of Dental Council of Cambodia and the Provincial Board of Dental Council of Cambodia shall take responsibilities to implement this Decision.

**Article 16** – The Decision number 0023/15 ក.ទ.ជ dated on June 17, 2015 on Criteria and Requirement for Registration shall be annulled

**Article 17** – This Decision shall be effective from the date of signature.

National Dental Council of Cambodia

President

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- National Board of Dental Council
- Regional Board of Dental Council
- Provincial Board of Dental Council
- Record-archives