GOVERNMENT NOTICE

No. 88  2014

REGULATIONS RELATING TO MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF STUDY FOR REGISTRATION AS ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PRACTITIONER: ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 2004

Under section 55 of the Allied Health Professions Act, 2004 (Act No. 7 of 2004), read with section 19 of that Act, and on the recommendation of the Allied Health Professions Council of Namibia, I have -

(a) made the regulations set out in the Schedule; and

(b) repealed the regulations published under Government Notice No. R2308 of 3 December 1976.

R. N. KAMWI
MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Windhoek, 19 June 2014

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise indicates, a word or expression defined in the Act has that meaning, and -
“the Act” means the Allied Health Professions Act, 2004 (Act No. 7 of 2004).

Minimum qualifications required for registration as an environmental health practitioner

2. (1) Subject to compliance with the other requirements prescribed by or under the Act, a person who is the holder of any of the following qualifications may be registered by the Council as an environmental health practitioner:

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### REPUBLIC OF ZIMBABWE

- **Solusi University** Bachelor of Science and Technology Degree in Environmental Health
- **Chinoyi University of Science and Technology** Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Health
- **National University of Science and Technology** Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Health
- **Bulawayo Polytechnic** National Diploma in Environmental Health

### SWAZILAND

- **Swaziland Institute of Health Sciences** Diploma in Environmental Health.

(2) Any person who is not the holder of a qualification prescribed by subregulation (1), may be registered as a environmental health practitioner, subject to regulation 3 and to compliance with the other requirements prescribed by or under the Act, if he or she is the holder of a -

(a) Bachelors Degree in Environmental Health or a Bachelor of Science and Technology Degree in Environmental Health, awarded by, after receiving education, tuition and training for a period of four years; or

(b) Diploma in Environmental Health, awarded by, after receiving education, tuition and training for a period of three years,

at an educational institution approved by the Council, subject to subregulation (3) of this regulation and to regulation 3.

(3) The education, tuition and training for the Degree or Diploma referred to in subregulation (2) must include, to the satisfaction of the Council -

(a) education, tuition and training relating to environmental health, in the main subjects of -

(i) health physics and chemistry;

(ii) environmental health biology;

(iii) social studies and community development;

(iv) building construction and town planning;

(v) environmental pollution control;

(vi) occupational health and safety;

(vii) epidemiology;

(viii) vector borne and communicable disease control; and

(ix) microbiology and parasitology; and
(b) practical training in -

(i) food and meat hygiene;

(ii) occupational health and safety;

(iii) vector borne disease or communicable disease control;

(iv) environmental pollution control; and

(v) community development.

(4) The Council may register a person who complies with subregulations (2) and (3) as an environmental health practitioner, if the qualification on which that person relies for registration as an environmental health practitioner is recognised by the Council under regulation 3.

Recognition of qualification by Council

3. The Council may recognise, for the purpose of the registration of a person as a environmental health practitioner, a qualification prescribed by or referred to in subregulation (2) of regulation 2, if -

(a) the educational institution at which that person obtained that qualification is approved by the Council for that purpose;

(b) the registration authority responsible for the registration of a person to practise as an environmental health practitioner in the country in which that person obtained that qualification, recognises that qualification for registration to practise as an environmental health practitioner in that country; and

(c) that person complies with the other requirements for registration as an environmental health practitioner prescribed by or under the Act.