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Annotated Statutes

REGULATIONS

REGULATIONS SURVIVING IN TERMS OF

Health Professions Act 16 of 2024

section 95(10)

Regulations relating to Additional Examinations that may be Conducted in respect of Psychologists by Social Work and Psychology Council of Namibia

Government Notice 50 of 2011 (GG 4699)

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These regulations were made in terms of section 56 read with section 23(1)(b)(ii) of the Social Work and Psychology Act 6 of 2004, which was repealed by the Health Professions Act 16 of 2024.

Pursuant to section 95(10) of the Health Professions Act 16 of 2024, they are deemed to have been made under that Act.

The Government Notice which publishes these regulations notes that they were made on the recommendation of the Social Work and Psychology Council of Namibia.

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Definitions

1. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise indicates, a word or expression defined in the Act has that meaning, and -

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"conditional registration" as a psychologist, means the conditional registration, under section 23(2)(a) of the Act, of a person as a psychologist;

"full registration" as a psychologist does not include conditional registration as a psychologist;

"psychologist" means a clinical psychologist, educational psychologist or psychological counsellor, and

"the Act" means the Social Work and Psychology Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004).

[The Social Work and Psychology Act 6 of 2004 has been replaced by the Health Professions Act 16 of 2024.]

Prescribed additional examinations for clinical psychologists

- 2. (1) A person registered conditionally as a clinical psychologist under section 23(2) of the Act, before he or she becomes entitled to full registration as a clinical psychologist under section 20 of the Act, read with section 24 of the Act, must pass, to the satisfaction of the Council and in addition to the other requirements prescribed by or under the Act, the additional examinations prescribed by subregulation (2).
- (2) The prescribed additional examinations referred to in subsection (1)(b)(ii) of section 23 of the Act and in subregulation (1), are examinations in or relating to -
 - (a) each of the domains of -
 - (i) Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis;
 - (ii) Basic Psychopathology;
 - (iii) Psychotherapeutic Intervention; and
 - (iv) Personality Theories;
 - (b) Clinical Psychology Ethics and Jurisprudence; and
 - (c) the Social Work and Psychology Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004), including the regulations and rules made or in force under that Act, in so far as that Act, and those regulations and rules, relate to clinical psychology.

[The Social Work and Psychology Act 6 of 2004 has been replaced by the Health Professions Act 16 of 2024.]

Prescribed additional examinations for educational psychologist

- **3.** (1) A person registered conditionally as an educational psychologist under section 23(2) of the Act, before he or she becomes entitled to full registration as an educational psychologist under section 20 of the Act, read with section 24 of the Act, must pass, to the satisfaction of the Council and in addition to the other requirements prescribed by or under the Act, the additional examinations prescribed by subregulation (2).
- (2) The prescribed additional examinations referred to in subsection (1)(b)(ii) of section 23 of the Act and in subregulation (1), are examinations in or relating to -

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- (a) each of the domains of -
 - (i) Clinical-Educational Assessment and Diagnosis;
 - (ii) Psychopathology;
 - (iii) Psychotherapeutic Intervention; and
 - (iv) Developmental Psychology;
- (b) Educational Psychology Ethics and Jurisprudence; and
- (c) the Social Work and Psychology Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004), including the regulations and rules made or in force under that Act, in so far as that Act, and those regulations and rules, relate to educational psychology.

[The Social Work and Psychology Act 6 of 2004 has been replaced by the Health Professions Act 16 of 2024.]

Prescribed additional examinations for psychological counsellors

- **4.** (1) A person registered conditionally as a psychological counsellor under section 23(2) of the Act, before he or she becomes entitled to full registration as a psychological counsellor under section 20 of the Act, read with section 24 of the Act, must pass, to the satisfaction of the Council and in addition to the other requirements prescribed by or under the Act, the additional examinations prescribed by subregulation (2).
- (2) The prescribed additional examinations referred to in subsection (1)(b)(ii) of section 23 of the Act and in subregulation (1), are examinations in or relating to -
 - (a) each of the domains of -
 - (i) Psychological Assessment Techniques;
 - (ii) Basic Therapeutic Skills;
 - (iii) Vocational Guidance; and
 - (iv) Psychopathology;
 - (b) Psychological Counselling Ethics and Jurisprudence; and
 - (c) the Social Work and Psychology Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004), including the regulations and rules made or in force under that Act, in so far as that Act, and those regulations and rules, relate to psychological counselling.

[The Social Work and Psychology Act 6 of 2004 has been replaced by the Health Professions Act 16 of 2024.]

Conducting of examinations

5. (1) The examinations prescribed by regulations 2, 3 and 4 -

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- (a) must be conducted -
 - (i) by the Council; or
 - (ii) for and on behalf of the Council by a person or institution, whether in Namibia or elsewhere, appointed by the Council for that purpose; or
 - (iii) by an institution outside Namibia recognised by the Council as competent to conduct those examinations;
- (b) may be written, oral or practical examinations, or written, oral and practical examinations; and
- (c) must be taken by the applicant on the date and at the time and venue notified in writing by the Council to the applicant.
- (2) A notice by the Council under paragraph (c) of subregulation (1) must be sent to the applicant -
 - (a) by pre-paid registered post, addressed to him or her at his or her postal address as it appears on his or her application for registration; and
 - (b) not less than 30 days and not more than 60 days, before the date of the examinations prescribed by subregulation (1).