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Reprint under section 7 of the Regulations Act 1936 of the Education (Post-Primary Instruction) Regulations 1954 (S.R. 1954/120), as amended by the following amendments:

Amendment No. 1, S.R. 1959/132
Amendment No. 2, S.R. 1961/106

**THE EDUCATION (POST-PRIMARY INSTRUCTION)
REGULATIONS 1954 (REPRINT)**

C. W. M. NORRIE, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 28th day of July 1954

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Education Act 1914, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. These regulations may be cited as the Education (Post-Primary Instruction) Regulations 1954.

APPLICATION

2. These regulations shall apply to every secondary school, technical school, and combined school, to the secondary department of every district high school, to the secondary department of the Correspondence School, to every registered private secondary school, and to every class above Form II in any public school, intermediate school, or registered private school which is approved by the Director for the purposes of these regulations.

COURSES OF STUDY

3. (1) Subject to the following provisions of this regulation, every pupil enrolled for full-time instruction in any school or class to which these regulations apply shall be given instruction in English language and literature, social studies, general science, elementary mathematics, music, a craft or one of the fine arts, and physical education, in accordance with the syllabus from time to time prescribed for each subject

by the Minister by notice to the headmaster of every school or class to which these regulations apply. Subject to the approval of the Director, the scope and treatment of the material specified in any such syllabus may be freely decided by the Principal of any school.

(2) Upon application being made to the Director by the Principal of the school attended, not later than the 31st day of March of the second year of any pupil's course, the pupil may, if the Director approves, be exempted from the provision requiring his instruction in music and a craft or fine art.

UNITS OF INSTRUCTION

4. (1) For the purposes of these regulations the term "unit" means one hour of instruction a week throughout the school year.

(2) The minimum numbers of units required in respect of the subjects specified in subclause (1) of regulation 3 hereof during the first and second years of instruction and for the School Certificate are as follows:

	Units		
	First Year	Second Year	Total for School Certificate
English and social studies	5·5	5·0	14·5
General science and elementary mathematics	3·5	2·5	8·0
Music and craft or fine art	2·5	2·5	7·0
Physical education	2·0	2·0	6·0

(3) In every year not less than 20 units of instruction shall be given to every pupil attending any school or class to which these regulations apply.

(4) Of the minimum number of units required in physical education, as set out in subclause (2) of this regulation one half unit may, in each year, be devoted to organised games.

THE SCHOOL CERTIFICATE

5. [(1) The School Certificate shall be awarded to every pupil who has obtained a pass in the School Certificate Examination as provided in regulation 6 of these regulations, and who has in addition thereto completed to the satisfaction of the Director either—

- (a) A course of at least three years' work in accordance with the provisions of regulations 3 and 4 of these regulations; or
- (b) A course of instruction, deemed by the Director to be equivalent thereto, which has been completed in whole or in part outside New Zealand.]

(2) The School Certificate shall be in such form and shall contain such particulars of the pupil's record as the Director thinks fit.

Subclause (1) was substituted for the original subclause (1) by regulation 2 of S.R. 1961/106.

THE SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

6. (1) The Director shall in each year conduct the School Certificate Examination.

(2) Every candidate shall apply to enter for the examination on the form provided by the Director. Subject to the provisions of subclause (3) of this regulation, the completed form must be received by the Director not later than the Monday immediately following the date fixed by regulations for the time being in force for the termination of the second term in public post-primary schools, and the candidate shall indicate on the form the subjects in which he desires to be examined.

(3) The form of application shall be accompanied by a receipt for the payment of an examination fee of £1 10s. at a money order office of [the Post Office]:

Provided that a form of application to enter for the examination received by the Director not later in any year than the Friday immediately following the date of the commencement of the third term in public post-primary schools as that date is fixed by regulations for the time being in force shall be accepted if it is accompanied by a receipt for the payment as aforesaid of an examination fee of £2 10s.

(4) The subjects of the examination shall be English and such other subjects as shall from time to time be prescribed by the Minister by notice in the *Education Gazette*, which notice shall specify where copies of the prescriptions for the subjects may be obtained by interested persons.

(5) The Minister may from time to time, by notice in the *Education Gazette*, specify restrictions in the choice of subjects which may be offered for the examination.

(6) The prescriptions for the subjects of the examination shall be laid down from time to time by the Minister by notice to the headmaster of every school or class to which these regulations apply, and any prescription may require a candidate who desires to enter for the examination in any science subject to submit before the date of the examination a certificate from the Principal of the school attended that a course of practical instruction based on the prescription has been satisfactorily completed.

(7) A candidate other than a candidate to whom subclause (8) of this regulation applies shall present himself for examination in English and not fewer than three nor more than four other subjects, and shall be credited with a pass if he obtains not less than 30 per cent of the total possible marks in English and in each of three other subjects, and not less than 50 per cent of the total possible marks in the aggregate for English and the same three other subjects.

(8) A candidate who has been exempted, under subclause (2) of regulation 3 hereof from the provision requiring his instruction in music and a craft or fine art, shall present himself for examination in English and not fewer than four nor more than five other subjects, and shall be credited with a pass if he obtains not less than 30 per cent of the total possible marks in English and in each of four other subjects, and not less than 50 per cent of the total possible marks in the aggregate for English and the same four other subjects.

(9) On the payment of a fee of 10s. before the 14th day of February in any year a candidate who has sat for the examination in the previous year may have his papers in any one subject re-marked by the examiner. If as a result his marks in that subject are increased, the fee paid shall be refunded to him, and all his marks shall be reconsidered to determine whether he has qualified for a pass in accordance with the provisions of these regulations.

(10) Any candidate who through illness or other unavoidable cause is unable to present himself for examination in any of the subjects for which he has entered and who does not apply for an aegrotat pass shall be entitled on application to the Director to a refund of the whole or such proportion of the examination fee as the Director may deem reasonable in the circumstances.

(11) Any candidate who is prevented by illness from sitting any examination may, not later than the 31st day of December immediately following, apply to the Director to be granted an aegrotat pass. The application shall be accompanied by a medical certificate and a record of the candidate's school work during the past year, showing his position relative to other candidates (if any) from the same school, and a recommendation by the Principal of his school.

(12) A list of the candidates who have passed the examination shall be published as directed by the Minister, and the Director shall supply every candidate who sat for the examination with a statement of the marks obtained in each subject in which he was examined.

(13) Any pupil who at the 1st day of February 1946 had obtained a partial pass in the School Certificate Examination conducted under regulations which were previously in force may complete his examination by passing, in accordance with the provisions of this regulation (in so far as they are applicable), in such further subjects as the Director may determine.

In subclause (3) the reference to the Post Office was substituted for a reference to the Post and Telegraph Department by section 250 (4) of the Post Office Act 1959.

THE CERTIFICATE OF ATTAINMENT

7. Any person who has not completed a course of three years' work as required by regulations 3 and 4 hereof may on passing the School Certificate examination in English and four other subjects be granted a Certificate of Attainment (School Certificate standard). The candidate shall present himself for examination in English and not fewer than four nor more than five other subjects, and shall be credited with a pass if he obtains not less than 30 per cent of the total possible marks in English and in each of four other subjects, and not less than 50 per cent of the total possible marks in the aggregate for English and the same four other subjects.

ENDORSEMENT OF SCHOOL CERTIFICATE

8. If any pupil who has been granted a School Certificate thereafter satisfactorily completes an advanced course of instruction for one year, including therein at least four units in each of three subjects approved

by the Director, and if the total units of his course are not less than 80, he shall be entitled to have his School Certificate endorsed to show that he has completed the advanced course.

HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATES

[9. The Higher School Certificate shall be granted to—

- (a) Any pupil who has satisfactorily completed, at a school to which these regulations apply, a five years' course of secondary instruction of not less than 100 units, if—
 - (i) He has been granted a School Certificate and thereafter has completed satisfactorily an advanced course of two years, including therein at least eight units in each of three subjects approved by the Director; or
 - (ii) He has been accredited for entrance to or has passed the Entrance Examination of the University of New Zealand and has thereafter completed satisfactorily an advanced course of one year including therein at least four units in each of three subjects approved by the Director:
- (b) Any pupil who has satisfactorily completed, at a school to which these regulations apply, a four years' course of secondary instruction of not less than 80 units, and has obtained a credit pass or better in the Entrance Scholarship Examination of the University of New Zealand.]

This regulation was substituted for the original regulation 9 by regulation 2 of S.R. 1959/132.

The University of New Zealand has been abolished from 1 January 1962, see s. 51 of the Universities Act 1961. As to University Entrance Examinations, see Part II of the Universities Act 1961.

HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE IN FINE ARTS

10. Any pupil who has satisfactorily completed at a school to which these regulations apply a five years' course of secondary instruction shall be granted a Higher School Certificate in Fine Arts if—

- (a) He has been granted a School Certificate and thereafter has completed satisfactorily a course of two years and passed the Preliminary Examination for the Diploma of Fine Arts; or
- (b) He has been accredited for entrance to or has passed the Entrance Examination of the University of New Zealand or has been granted an Endorsed School Certificate and has thereafter satisfactorily completed a course of one year and passed the Preliminary Examination for the Diploma of Fine Arts.

The University of New Zealand has been abolished from 1 January 1962, see s. 51 of the Universities Act 1961. As to University Entrance Examinations, see Part II of the Universities Act 1961.

11. (1) The regulations specified in the Schedule to these regulations are hereby revoked.

(2) Without limiting the provisions of the Acts Interpretation Act 1924, it is hereby declared that the revocation of any provision by these regulations shall not affect any document made or any thing whatsoever

done under the provision so revoked or under any corresponding former provision, and every such document or thing, so far as it is subsisting or in force at the time of the revocation and could have been made or done under these regulations, shall continue and have effect as if it had been made or done under the corresponding provision of these regulations and as if that provision had been in force when the document was made or the thing was done.

SCHEDULE
REGULATIONS REVOKED

Regulations	Published in Statutory Regulations	
	Year	Serial Number
The Education (Post-Primary Instruction) Regulations 1945	1945	143
The Education Amending Regulations 1946: Regulation 21	1946	190
The Education Amending Regulations 1949: Regulation 2	1949	5
The Education (Post-Primary Instruction) Regulations 1945, Amendment No. 3	1952	118

T. J. SHERRARD,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Certified for the purposes of section 7 of the Regulations Act 1936
this 14th day of March 1962.*

J. R. HANAN, *Attorney-General.*

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.
Date of notification of principal regulations in *Gazette*: 29 July 1954.
These regulations are administered in the Department of Education.