

Serial Number 1940/102.



**THE NURSES AND MIDWIVES REGULATIONS 1938,
AMENDMENT NO. 2.**

GALWAY, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 29th day of May, 1940.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

PURSUANT to the Nurses and Midwives Registration Act, 1925, and the Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Act, 1939, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby make the following regulations.

REGULATIONS.

1. These regulations may be cited as the Nurses and Midwives Regulations 1938, Amendment No. 2.

2. These regulations shall be read with and form part of the Nurses and Midwives Regulations 1938* (hereinafter called the principal regulations).

3. Clause (3) of Regulation 1 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by inserting, next after the definition of "Maternity training-school", the following additional definitions:—

“ ‘ Nursing aid training-school ’ means a hospital or other institution (including a private charitable institution) for the time being approved by the Board as being a training-school for nursing aids :

“ ‘ Pupil aid ’ means a person who has been accepted by the governing body of an approved nursing aid training-school for training as a nursing aid.”

4. The principal regulations are amended by inserting, next after Regulation 6 thereof, the following additional regulations and prefixed headings:—

“ 6A. Approval of Training-schools for Nursing Aids.

“ (1) The governing body of any institution, not being a hospital, which is for the time being approved as a Grade A training-school or Grade B training-school may apply to the Board through the Secretary to have such institution approved as a nursing aid training-school, and shall, upon such application, furnish to the Board the names of the persons who will constitute the teaching staff.

* Statutory Regulations 1938, Serial number 1938/80, page 346.

“(2) No institution shall be approved by the Board as a nursing aid training-school unless—

“(a) It is not approved for the time being as a Grade A training-school or Grade B training-school :

“(b) It has an occupied bed rate of at least twenty beds :

“(c) The Matron is a registered nurse and approved by the Board :

“(d) In charge of the kitchen and laundry there is a competent person qualified to teach domestic arts and approved by the Board :

“(e) The proportion of registered nurses to pupil aids is considered by the Board sufficient to ensure adequate expert care of the patient and supervision of the pupil aids' duties :

“(f) The hours of work do not exceed those approved by the Board for pupil nurses and the conditions of work are considered satisfactory by the Board :

“(g) The requirements in regard to the training of nursing aids set out in these regulations can, in the Board's opinion, be adequately complied with.

“(3) If at any time, in respect of an institution for the time being approved as a nursing aid training-school,—

“(a) The Board has in its discretion resolved that its approval of the Matron be revoked ; or

“(b) In the opinion of the Board the course of instruction referred to in these regulations is not being given ; or

“(c) In the opinion of the Board the other requirements in regard to the training of nursing aids set out in these regulations are not adequately complied with ; or

“(d) The training of nursing aids is not conducted in all respects to the satisfaction of the Board,—

then, and in any such case, the Board may, after giving to the governing body of such institution not less than three months' notice of its intention so to do, revoke its approval of such institution as a nursing aid training-school.

“6B. *Period of Training for Nursing Aids.*

“The course of theoretical instruction and practical training to be received by nursing aids shall extend over a period of two years.

“6C. *Course of Training for Nursing Aids.*

“(1) The course of training required to be undergone by every person seeking to be registered as a nursing aid under the said Act shall be the course prescribed by this regulation.

“(2) Every pupil aid shall, during the whole of her period of training, receive from the Matron, or from some registered nurse deputed by the Matron in that behalf, practical instruction.

“(3) The said course of training shall be undergone in an approved nursing aid training-school.

“(4) Every nursing aid shall during her course of training attend lectures comprising such subjects and dealing therewith in such scope and extent as the Board may from time to time by notice to the governing body of the institution require.

“(5) All such lectures shall be delivered by registered medical practitioners, registered nurses, or other competent instructors approved by the Board.

“(6) The governing body of every nursing aid training-school shall cause the lectures required by the Board to be delivered, and shall provide for the purpose of such lectures and the general instruction of pupil aids, and so as to be available at reasonable times for the use of pupil aids—

“(a) Such text-books and reference-books as may from time to time be recommended by the Board; and

“(b) Such equipment as the Board may from time to time require.

“6d. *Qualifying Examination for Nursing Aids.*

“(1) The examination for nursing aids required to be passed by every person seeking to be registered as a nursing aid under the said Act shall be an examination conducted by the Board in such subjects as the Board may have notified under clause (4) of Regulation 6c.

“(2) No person shall present herself for examination who has not on the date of the commencement of the examination attained the age of eighteen years and six months :

“Provided that nothing in this clause shall entitle any person to registration before attaining the age of nineteen years.

“(3) No person shall present herself for examination who has not on the date of commencement of the examination completed the period of training prescribed by Regulation 6B hereof :

“Provided that, on special application being made, the Board may, if it thinks fit, permit any person who, being otherwise eligible, has reached within two months of completion of the above-mentioned period of training to present herself for examination, but registration shall not be granted until she has completed the full period of training required.

“(4) No person shall present herself for examination who has not on the date of commencement of the examination undergone the course of instruction prescribed by Regulation 6c hereof, except in pursuance of any special permission granted under the last preceding clause hereof.

“(5) The passing of the examination by any person who presents herself in breach of any of the provisions of clauses (2), (3), and (4) hereof shall not be available to satisfy the Board that she has passed such examination in terms of the said Act.

“(6) Every candidate for examination shall make application to the Registrar on a form from time to time provided by the Board, and shall, together with such application, tender the following :—

“(a) A certificate of training in a form from time to time provided by the Board, and verified by the Matron and by a Medical Officer of the approved training-school at which such candidate completed her term of training :

“(b) A confidential report on a form provided by the Board by the Matron of the approved training-school at which such candidate completed her term of training :

“(c) The fee of £1 prescribed by clause (1) of Regulation 14 hereof.

“(7) Every such application shall be so given as to be received by the Registrar at least three weeks before the date of commencement of the examination at which the candidate intends to present herself, and the Matron of each training-school shall, at least six weeks before the said date of commencement, supply the Registrar with a list of the names of the pupil-nurses in her institution who intend to present themselves for examination, or, if the case so requires, notify the Registrar that no nursing aid in her institution intends to present herself.

“6E. *Notifications from Nursing Aid Training-schools to Board.*

“(1) The governing body of every institution recognized as a nursing aid training-school shall furnish to the Board such reports on the staff, the patients, and the nursing aids as the Board may from time to time require.

“(2) The governing body of every such institution shall from time to time, immediately upon any change in the position of Matron or the personnel of the teaching staff, notify particulars of such change to the Board.”

5. Clause (1) of Regulation 12 of the principal regulations is amended by inserting, after the words “maternity nurses”, the words “and nursing aids”.

6. Clause (1) of Regulation 14 of the principal regulations is amended by inserting, after the words “maternity nurses”, the words “or nursing aids”.

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Clerk of the Executive Council.

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