



THE NIUE DENTAL REGULATIONS 1970

RICHARD WILD, Administrator of the Government

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 25th day of May 1970

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Niue Act 1966, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title—These regulations may be cited as the Niue Dental Regulations 1970.

2. Meaning of “practice of dentistry”—In these regulations the expression “the practice of dentistry” includes—

- (a) The performance of any operation, and the treatment of any diseases, deficiencies, or lesions, on or of the human teeth or jaws, and the correction of malpositions thereof and the performance of radiographic work in connection with the human teeth or jaws:
 - (b) The giving of any anaesthetic in connection with any operation on the human teeth or jaws:
 - (c) The mechanical construction or the renewal of artificial dentures or restorative dental appliances:
 - (d) The performance of any operation on, or the giving of any treatment, advice, or attendance to, any person, as preparatory to or for the purpose of or for or in connection with the fitting, insertion, fixing, constructing, repairing, or renewing of artificial dentures or restorative dental appliances:
 - (e) The performance of any such operation and the giving of any such treatment, advice, or attendance as is usually performed or given by registered dentists—
- and the expression “to practise”, in relation to dentistry, has a corresponding meaning.

3. Practice of dentistry—(1) No person shall practise dentistry in Niue or hold himself out, whether directly or by implication, as practising or being entitled to practise dentistry in Niue, unless he is registered in New Zealand as a dentist under the Dental Act 1963.

- (2) Notwithstanding anything in subclause (1) of this regulation,—
- (a) A graduate in dentistry of the Fiji School of Medicine, or any person who has such knowledge of and training in dentistry as are in the opinion of the Resident Commissioner of Niue equal to that of such a graduate, may practise dentistry in Niue as an employee of the Niue Public Service subject to the general control of the Chief Medical Officer:
 - (b) A Medical Officer and any other person qualified to practise medicine or surgery in Niue may perform any dental operation, or do any other act that is within the meaning of the expression “the practice of dentistry”, in the ordinary course of practice as such or in any case where the services of a person qualified to practise dentistry in Niue are not obtainable:
 - (c) Any person may extract a tooth where the case is urgent and no person qualified to practise dentistry in Niue and no person referred to in paragraph (b) or paragraph (c) of this subclause is available, provided the operation is performed without the application of any general or local anaesthetic:
 - (d) Any person acting under the direction of a person entitled to practise dentistry in Niue may construct or renew artificial dentures or restorative dental appliances.
- (3) Every person commits an offence who does any act in contravention of this regulation, and is liable to a fine not exceeding \$20 and, in the case of a continuing offence, to a further fine not exceeding \$20 for every day on which the offence has continued.

4. Regulations ceasing to be in force in Niue—The regulations made by Order in Council on the 11th day of June 1917 with respect to the practice of medicine and surgery and dentistry in the Cook Islands* shall cease to have effect as part of the law of Niue.

5. Reserved enactment—These regulations are hereby declared to be a reserved enactment for the purposes of section 38 of the Niue Act 1966.

P. J. BROOKS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations prescribe the qualifications necessary for the practice of dentistry in Niue.

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These regulations are administered in the Maori and Island Affairs Department.