



**THE SOCIAL SECURITY (DENTAL BENEFITS) REGULATIONS
1960, AMENDMENT NO. 10**

KEITH HOLYOAKE, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 28th day of November 1977

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Social Security Act 1964, His Excellency the Governor-General, 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 Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1960, Amendment No. 10, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1960* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

2. Increasing dental fees—(1) The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking the Second Schedule (as substituted by regulation 2 (1) of the Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1960, Amendment No. 9), and substituting the Second Schedule set out in the Schedule to these regulations.

(2) These regulations shall apply with respect to dental benefits afforded on or after the 15th day of August 1977. In all other cases the principal regulations shall continue to apply as if these regulations had not been made.

*S.R. 1960/125
Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1962/34
Amendment No. 2: (Revoked by S.R. 1970/144)
Amendment No. 3: S.R. 1970/144
Amendment No. 4: S.R. 1971/130
Amendment No. 5: S.R. 1971/234
Amendment No. 6: (Revoked by S.R. 1974/187)
Amendment No. 7: S.R. 1973/261
Amendment No. 8: S.R. 1974/187
Amendment No. 9: S.R. 1975/282

3. Special fees—Regulation 18 (1) of the principal regulations is hereby amended—

(a) By adding to paragraph (b) the word “; or”:

(b) By adding the following paragraph:

“(c) Such special fee as may be approved by the Minister in any particular case”.

4. Consequential revocation—The Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1960, Amendment No. 9, are hereby revoked.

SCHEDULE

Reg. 2 (1)

NEW SECOND SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

“SECOND SCHEDULE

Regs. 4, 18 (1)

DENTAL BENEFITS AND FEES

For Contracting Dentists

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1. Examination and prophylaxis (once in respect of each complete treatment period)	3.65
2. Consultation (once in respect of initial examinations of school dental clinic patients enrolled for special dental benefits)	5.25
3. X-rays—	
(a) Bitewing (if necessary for diagnosis—2 films; 1 each side)	2.75
(b) Periapical film—(each film)	2.65
4. Fillings: Permanent anterior teeth—	
(a) Synthetic porcelain fillings—each filling	5.50
(b) Composite fillings—	
(i) Each simple filling	7.80
(ii) Restorations (MI, DI, MID)	15.70
(c) Amalgam fillings—	
(i) Each simple filling	3.45
(ii) Each two-surface filling	4.90
5. Fillings: Deciduous anterior teeth—	
Each separate filling	3.30
6. Fillings: Premolar and deciduous molar teeth—	
(a) Amalgam fillings—	
(i) Each simple filling	3.45
(ii) Two-surface approximo-occlusal fillings	4.90
(iii) Mesio-occluso-distal fillings	7.20
(iv) Restorations (include the restoration of one or more cusps)	9.00
(b) Composite fillings—buccal surface only	7.80
7. Fillings: Permanent molar teeth—	
Amalgam fillings—	
(a) Simple fillings (including two fillings in occlusal surface of upper molars, and including all buccal, palatal and lingual fissure extensions)	3.95

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*

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(b) Two-surface approximo-occlusal fillings	6.05
(c) Mesio-occluso-distal fillings	8.50
(d) Restorations (include the restoration of one or more cusps)	10.50
8. Inlays: Permanent anterior teeth—	
(a) Gold inlay (MI, DI, or incisal)	33.00
(b) Gold inlay (MID)	38.50
(c) Facing for inlay	6.85
9. Crowns: Permanent anterior teeth—	
(a) Three quarter gold crown (single unit only)	57.75
(b) Processed acrylic Jacket crown (single unit only)	57.75
(c) Processed acrylic crown with post and metal base (single unit only)	82.50
10. Pulp and root-canal treatment—	
(a) Partial pulpectomy	6.65
(b) Pulp removal and root filling	10.45
(c) Septic root canal treatment with subsequent root filling (excluding X-ray)	20.75
(d) Root resection	17.00
(e) Maximum fee for treatment of any deciduous tooth	10.45
11. Miscellaneous treatment—	
(a) Emergency dressing	2.65
(b) Stainless steel or copper bands, or plastic crown (for fractured teeth)	8.75
(c) Stainless steel crowns (for fractured anterior teeth)	17.45
(d) Recementing inlay or crown	3.30
12. Extractions—	
(a) General anaesthetic—	
(i) Permanent teeth (maximum 4 teeth)—	
First tooth	10.45
Each succeeding tooth	3.45
(ii) Deciduous teeth—	
First quadrant	10.45
Each succeeding quadrant	3.45
(b) Local anaesthetic—	
(i) Permanent teeth (maximum 4 teeth)—	
First tooth	6.90
Each succeeding tooth	3.45
(ii) Deciduous teeth—	
First quadrant	5.25
Each succeeding quadrant	3.45

NOTE—The fees for extraction of deciduous teeth are irrespective of the number of teeth extracted from any quadrant.

For Contracting Authorities

The fees specified above, less 25 percent.”

P. G. MILLEN,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These regulations increase, on and after 15 August 1977, the fees payable to contracting dentists and contracting authorities.

In addition, a new provision empowers the Minister to approve a special fee in any particular case.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.