



**THE SOCIAL SECURITY (DENTAL BENEFITS) REGULATIONS  
1983, AMENDMENT NO. 10**

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CATHERINE A. TIZARD, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 14th day of December 1992

Present:

HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to sections 116 and 132 of the Social Security Act 1964, Her Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

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REGULATIONS

**1. Title, commencement, and application**—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1983, Amendment No. 10, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1983\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of August 1992, and shall apply to dental benefits provided on or after

\*S.R. 1983/151

Amendment No. 1: (*Revoked by S.R. 1986/76*)  
Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1985/221  
Amendment No. 3: (*Revoked by S.R. 1986/273*)  
Amendment No. 4: (*Revoked by S.R. 1987/247*)  
Amendment No. 5: (*Revoked by S.R. 1990/47*)  
Amendment No. 6: S.R. 1990/47  
Amendment No. 7: S.R. 1990/200  
Amendment No. 8: S.R. 1990/281  
Amendment No. 9: S.R. 1991/53

that date. In respect of dental benefits provided before that date, the principal regulations shall continue to apply as if these regulations had not been made.

**2. Dental benefits fees increased on and after 1 August 1992—**

(1) The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking the Schedule (as substituted by regulation 2 (1) of the Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1983, Amendment No. 7), and substituting the Schedule set out in the Schedule to these regulations.

(2) The Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1983, Amendment No. 7 are hereby consequentially revoked.

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## SCHEDULE

Reg. 2 (1)

## NEW SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

(Effective on and after 1 August 1992)

## "SCHEDULE

Regs. 3 (a), 11 (1), 12 (2)

## DENTAL BENEFITS AND FEES

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1. Consultation—	
(a) With examination and prophylaxis (once in respect of each complete treatment period and including bitewing X-rays when required for diagnostic purposes) .. .. .	32.55
(b) Once in respect of initial examinations of school dental clinic patients enrolled for special dental benefits .. .. .	14.95
2. X-rays—	
Periapical film (each film) .. .. .	6.85
3. Fillings—	
(a) Non-metallic fillings—	
(i) Simple fillings in anterior teeth and buccal surfaces of pre-molars .. .. .	27.10
(ii) More than 1 surface in anterior teeth, per tooth .. .. .	40.65
(b) Amalgam—	
(i) One surface (including 2 fillings on occlusal surface of upper molars and including all buccal, palatal, and lingual fissure extensions) .. .. .	20.35
(ii) Two surface (approximo-occlusal) .. .. .	29.75
(iii) Three surface (mesio-occlusal-distal) .. .. .	35.60
(iv) Restoration (including restoration of one or more cusps) .. .. .	54.35
4. Pulp and root canal treatment—	
(a) Partial pulpectomy .. .. .	52.15
(b) Pulp removal and root filling .. .. .	81.30
(c) Septic root canal treatment and root filling, permanent teeth .. .. .	101.65
5. Emergency dressing .. .. .	19.30
6. Extractions (excluding extractions for orthodontic purposes)—	
(a) First permanent tooth or deciduous quadrant—	
(i) With local anaesthetic .. .. .	33.90
(ii) With general anaesthetic .. .. .	51.05
(b) Each succeeding permanent tooth (maximum 4 teeth) or deciduous quadrant .. .. .	17.00

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

7. The fees payable to Area Health Boards and the University of Otago shall be the fees specified above, less 25 percent."

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Acting for 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, by 5 percent, the fees payable to contracting dentists and contracting authorities for dental benefits provided on and after 1 August 1992.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.