



**THE SOCIAL SECURITY (DENTAL BENEFITS) REGULATIONS
1983, AMENDMENT NO. 3**

PAUL REEVES, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 21st day of April 1986

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 and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1983, Amendment No. 3, 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 1985, and shall apply in respect of dental benefits provided on or after 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.

*S.R. 1983/151
Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1984/245
Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1985/221

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

3. Revocations—The following regulations are hereby consequentially revoked:

- (a) The Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1983, Amendment No. 1;
- (b) Regulation 4 of the Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1983, Amendment No. 2.

Reg. 2

SCHEDULE

NEW SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

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

“SCHEDULE

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)	..	11.55
(b) Once in respect of initial examinations of school dental clinic patients enrolled for special dental benefits		9.40
2. X-rays—		
Periapical film (each film)	4.70
3. Fillings—		
(a) Simple composite fillings—anterior teeth and buccal surfaces of pre-molars	13.95
(b) Simple silicate fillings—anterior teeth	9.80
(c) Composite restorations (MI, DI, MID)-anterior teeth	28.20
(d) Amalgam fillings—		
(i) 1-surface (including 2 fillings in occlusal surface of upper molars, and including all buccal, palatal and lingual fissure extensions		6.95
(ii) 2-surface approximo-occlusal (including approximo-lingual on anterior teeth)		10.00
(iii) 3-surface mesio-occluso-distal	13.60
(iv) Restorations (including the restoration of one or more cusps)	18.85
4. Pulp and root-canal treatment—		
(a) Partial pulpectomy	12.00
(b) Pulp removal and root filling	18.80
(c) Septic root canal treatment with subsequent root filling (excluding X-ray)	37.35
(d) Root resection	30.50
(e) Maximum fee for treatment of any one deciduous tooth		18.80
5. Miscellaneous treatment—		
(a) Emergency dressing	4.70

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(b) Stainless steel or copper bands, or plastic crown form (for fractured teeth)	15.70
(c) Stainless steel crowns (for fractured anterior teeth) ..	31.30
(d) Recementing inlay or crown	5.90
6. Extractions (excluding extractions for orthodontic purposes)—	
(a) General anaesthetic—	
(i) Permanent teeth (maximum 4 teeth)—	
First tooth	18.80
Each succeeding tooth	6.25
(ii) Deciduous teeth—	
First quadrant	18.80
Each succeeding quadrant	6.25
(b) Local anaesthetic—	
(i) Permanent teeth (maximum 4 teeth)—	
First tooth	12.45
Each succeeding tooth	6.25
(ii) Deciduous teeth—	
First quadrant	9.40
Each succeeding quadrant	6.25

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

7. The fees payable to Hospital Boards and the University of Otago shall be 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 the fees payable to contracting dentists and contracting authorities for dental benefits provided on or after 1 August 1985.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.