

## Optometrists and Dispensing Opticians Board (Fees Amendment) Notice 2024

Under sections 130 to 133 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003, the Optometrists and Dispensing Opticians Board (“Board”) gives notice that fees and levy (GST included), set out in the Fees Schedule below, are payable effective from 1 February 2024.

### Commencement

This notice comes into effect on 1 February 2024, and sets the updated schedule of fees payable to the Board. Amendments pertain to the APC fees payable for applications relating to the practising year commencing on 1 April 2024, and registration fees. All other fees remain unchanged.

As of 1 February 2023, the following notice is revoked: *Optometrists and Dispensing Opticians (Fees) Notice 2023 (New Zealand Gazette, 23 December 2022, Gazette Number 2023-gs24)*<sup>1</sup>.

### Schedule

#### Fees payable

#### A. REGISTRATION

##### Optometrists or Dispensing opticians’ graduates registering with the Board for the first time

Applications for New Zealand or Australian trained graduates, registering for the first time within 12 months after graduating, and who have never registered in any other country or jurisdiction. **\$365.00**

Applications for New Zealand or Australian trained graduates registering for the first time, more than 12 months after graduating. **\$479.00**

##### Applicants registering in the Provisional optometrist scope of practice

Applications for the registration in the provisional optometrist scope of practice (*For new graduates from an accredited and recognised New Zealand or Australian education and training provider, who applies for registration with the Board, within 12 months after graduating.*) **\$365.00**

Applications for the registration in the provisional optometrist scope of practice. (*For graduates from a New Zealand or Australian training institution, and who will register for the first time, more than 12 months after graduating.*) **\$479.00**

##### Australian registered optometrists, applying to register with Board

Application for registration from Australian registered optometrists pursuant to the Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Act of 1997 (TTMRA). **\$479.00**

<sup>1</sup> <https://gazette.govt.nz/notice/id/2023-gs24>

**The assessment of qualifications for equivalence to the prescribed qualifications for Dispensing opticians**

Application for the assessment of international Dispensing opticians' qualifications under section 15(2) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003. \$960.00

**Other registration related fees**

Certificate of Registration \$30.00  
Restoration of name to Register \$30.00  
Certificate of Good Standing \$30.00  
Copy of Register \$30.00

**Application for a change in scope of practice or an additional scope of practice**

The application for change in scope of practice or an additional scope of practice, where the application is received by the Board within 12 months of the date the relevant qualification was conferred. \$153.00

The application for change in scope of practice or an additional scope of practice, where the application is received by the Board more than 12 months after the date the relevant qualification was conferred. \$368.00

**B. ANNUAL PRACTISING CERTIFICATE (APC), INCLUDING DISCIPLINARY LEVY**

**Practising certificates for optometrists registered in all Optometrist scopes**

Application for an annual practising certificate for optometrists in all scopes, where the application is received between 1 April and 30 September, and includes a disciplinary levy of \$37.00. \$1199.00

Application for an annual practising certificate for optometrists in all scopes, where the application is received after 30 September, and includes a disciplinary levy of \$25.00. \$943.00

**Practising certificates for Dispensing opticians**

Application for an annual practising certificate for dispensing opticians, where the application is received between 1 April and 30 September, and includes a disciplinary levy of \$25.00. \$907.00

Application for an annual practising certificate for dispensing opticians, where the application is received after 30 September, and includes a disciplinary levy of \$13.00. \$659.00

**C. MAINTAINING REGISTRATION FOR NON-PRACTISING PRACTITIONERS**

Application for maintaining registration and receiving communication from the Board. \$100.00

Application for maintaining registration, receiving communication from the Board, and maintaining recertification requirements *(For non-practising practitioners who wish to continue to meet the Board’s recertification requirements. This will include the recording of continuing professional development (CPD) credits, including ethical and cultural CPD points, and may be selected for a random self-audit.)* \$306.00

**D. MONITORING REQUIRED FOR REGISTRATION OR COMPETENCE RELATED MATTERS**

Registration related supervision or mentoring session required by the Board (hourly fee). *(A session is usually between 1 to 3 hours long. If a supervision report is required, an additional hour will be charged.)* \$115.00

Competence or conduct related supervision or mentoring session required by the Board (hourly rate). *(A session is usually between 1 to 3 hours long. If a supervision report is required, an additional hour will be charged.)* \$115.00

**E. RECERTIFICATION**

Assessment of documents / portfolio *(The assessment of a portfolio of evidence of a practitioner seeking recognition of prior learning (RPL), or credit accumulation and transfer for formal recognition for any part of the recertification programme with the Board.)* \$204.00

Dated at Wellington this [...]<sup>th</sup> day of [...] 20[...].

ELMARIE STANDER, Registrar, Optometrists and Dispensing Opticians Board | Te Poari o ngā Kaimātai Whatu me ngā Kaiwahakarato Mōhiti