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Title

- 1 These bylaws may be cited as *The Denturist Society of Saskatchewan Regulatory Bylaws, 2026*.

Definitions

- 2 In these bylaws:

- (a) “**Act**” means *The Dental Disciplines Act*;
- (b) “**council**” means the council of the society;
- (c) “**good standing**” means:
 - (i) the registrant is not in default in making payment of any prescribed fees, completion of forms or provision of other information applicable to the registrant; and
 - (ii) the registrant’s licence has not expired or been suspended or revoked;
- (d) “**intern**” means a person undergoing training to be a denturist who is registered as an intern;
- (e) “**prescribed fee**” means the fee prescribed in *The Denturist Society of Saskatchewan Administrative Bylaws, 2025*;
- (f) “**registrant**” means a person registered as a member of the society;
- (g) “**society**” means the Denturist Society of Saskatchewan continued pursuant to subsection 3(3) of the Act.

REGISTRATION

Categories of membership

- 3 The following categories of membership are established:

- (a) practising;
- (b) intern;
- (c) non-practising.

General requirements

- 4 All applicants for registration in the practising or intern categories shall:

- (a) submit their application on the form provided by the society together with the prescribed fee;
- (b) provide proof of identity;
- (c) provide a criminal record check, satisfactory references, and any other evidence necessary to prove to the satisfaction of the council that the applicant is of good character;
- (d) provide proof of English language proficiency;
- (e) provide proof of insurance in the amount of \$2 million per incident and \$2 million per year; and
- (f) in the case of an applicant who is registered as a denturist in another jurisdiction, provide proof of registration in that jurisdiction and information on any practice restriction, limitation or condition imposed on the applicant in that jurisdiction.

Practising

5(1) A person who applies to be registered in the practising category must:

- (a) comply with section 4 of these bylaws;
- (b) have successfully completed the jurisprudence examination required by council; and
- (c) in the case of a person applying:
 - (i) pursuant to subsection 20(1) of the Act:
 - (A) have successfully completed an educational program in denturism described in subclause 20(1)(c)(iii) of the Act or an equivalent program; and
 - (B) have, within the previous year, successfully completed a registration examination approved by the council; or
 - (ii) in the case of a person applying pursuant to subsection 20(1.1) of the Act, comply with subclause 20(1.1)(c)(iii) of the Act.

(2) A practising registrant is entitled to the following privileges:

- (a) while licensed, to practise denturism and use the titles as specified in the Act;
- (b) to participate in all meetings of the society;
- (c) to be appointed to council committees of the society;
- (d) to receive a copy of the society documents designated for distribution to practicing registrants;
- (e) to receive the newsletter of the society; and
- (f) to receive any privileges of membership in affiliated national and international associations that may be available.

Intern

6(1) A person who has successfully completed an educational program in denturism described in subclause 20(1)(c)(iii) of the Act within the previous two years and who complies with section 4 of these bylaws is entitled to registration in the intern category.

(2) Registration as an intern expires after four years.

(3) An intern is entitled to the following privileges:

- (a) while licensed, to practise denturism under the direct supervision of a clinical supervisor approved by council pursuant to section 7; and
- (b) to participate in all meetings of the society.

(4) No intern shall perform any intraoral procedures or do any impression techniques, bite registrations, try-ins or insertions of new dentures or relines except under the direct, on-premises supervision of their clinical supervisor.

(5) An intern shall notify the registrar in writing if there is any change in their employment status.

Clinical supervisor

7(1) A practising registrant may act as a clinical supervisor for an intern if the registrant:

- (a) is and has been a practising registrant in good standing for the previous three years or more; and
- (b) is approved by the council to provide direct supervision to an intern.

(2) A clinical supervisor is responsible for the instruction and supervision of an intern in designing, making and fitting of dentures at the clinical supervisor's regular place of business so as to ensure that any dental prosthesis on which the intern is employed is properly designed and made.

(3) The clinical supervisor shall notify the registrar in writing if there is any change in the employment status of the intern.

Non-practising

8(1) A practising registrant in good standing who does not intend to continue to practise as a dentist is entitled to non-practising status on submission of an application on the form provided by the society together with the prescribed fee.

(2) A non-practising registrant is not permitted to practise denturism but is entitled to the following privileges:

- (a) to participate in all meetings of the society;
- (b) to be appointed to committees of the society; and
- (c) to be exempt from payment of all fees and assessments other than the specific fees solely relating to the non-practising registrant category.

(3) Subject to section 10 and clause 12(a), a non-practising registrant may resume practising status by paying any applicable prescribed fee.

Resignation

9(1) Any registrant may resign from the society by written notice to the registrar, provided all fees payable to the date of registration have been paid.

(2) The resignation of a registrant who is the subject of disciplinary proceedings under the Act is not effective until those proceedings are finally concluded and the registrant has complied with any agreement to resolve them or any resulting order made by the professional conduct committee or the discipline committee.

Termination of registration

10 A registrant who fails to obtain licensure by the end of the practice year following the year in which the registrant was last licensed, ceases to be a registrant as of December 31 of that year and their name shall be struck from the register as of that date.

LICENSURE

Licence required

11(1) Every practising registrant and every intern must obtain a licence to practise with respect to each calendar year by submitting the completed renewal application form provided by the society, together with the prescribed fee for the licence and any other fees or charges owing to the society for any reason, on or before December 15 in each year.

(2) A practising registrant or intern who submits a renewal application on or after December 15 shall pay the prescribed late fee in addition to the licence renewal fee.

(3) A practising registrant or intern who does not obtain or renew a licence on or before December 31, ceases to be licensed, is not entitled to practise as at January 1 of the year for which the licence is required, and is noted as unlicensed in the register.

(4) All licences expire on December 31 of each year, unless an earlier date is specified on the licence.

Eligibility for renewal

12 In order to be eligible to obtain a licence to practise or to renew non-practising status, a registrant must:

- (a) provide evidence of compliance with the continuing education requirements required pursuant to section 13; and
- (b) provide evidence of completion of 720 hours of denturism activities approved by council in the previous three years; and
- (c) where the registrant has been convicted of a criminal offence in the previous 12 months, submit a satisfactory criminal record check.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Continuing education credits required

13(1) Every registrant is required to obtain 20 hours of continuing education credits in each year in courses, programs or activities accredited by council on the recommendation of the quality assurance committee.

(2) At least 6 continuing education credits must be obtained in lectures, hands-on courses, or online courses that relate directly to the provision of patient care and treatment.

(3) The registrar may extend the time within which a registrant must meet the requirements of this section where exceptional circumstances exist.

(4) Other continuing education credits may be obtained in the following areas:

- (a) courses relating directly to the operation and management of a dental practice, other than courses relating to personal financial or retirement planning or marketing activities;
- (b) courses relating to the study of ethics and legislation relating to denturism; and
- (c) faculty or teaching positions, self-study courses or participation in professional organizations.

STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

Standards generally

14 All registrants shall conduct themselves in a professional manner so as to enhance the honour of those engaged in the practice of denturism and, in particular, shall:

- (a) at all times exercise due care and attention in the provision of their services;
- (b) when supplying a removable dental prosthesis, explain the necessity of proper hygiene of the oral cavity and prosthesis to ensure the conditioned health of the oral cavity and give due consideration to remaining natural teeth and any dental implant(s) or oral structures in assessing the future success of the dental prosthesis, but shall not diagnose oral health considerations of a pathological nature;
- (c) before supplying or fitting a removable partial denture or removable implant prosthesis, recommend that if the patient has not had a complete dentulous examination within the previous 12 months by a physician or by a dentist, that they do so before commencing work on the partial denture or implant prosthesis;
- (d) ensure that all premises occupied and all equipment used by them in practising their profession is kept in a clean and sanitary condition;

- (e) maintain high standards of personal cleanliness and hygiene;
- (f) strictly abide by the terms, conditions or limitations of their licence;
- (g) maintain complete, proper and adequate patient records and keep such records for a minimum period of 10 years;
- (h) at all times, be mentally and physically capable of practising as a denturist;
- (i) discharge with integrity, all duties owed to patients, the council, other registrants and the public;
- (j) be both honest and candid when applying for a licence, dealing with the registrar, the council, other registrants, the public and when advising patients;
- (k) if engaged in another profession, business or occupation concurrently with the practice of denturism, ensure that their outside interest does not jeopardize their professional integrity, independence or competence;
- (l) not stipulate for, charge or accept any fee that is not fully disclosed, fair and reasonable;
- (m) follow all lawful orders of the council and reply promptly to correspondence from the society;
- (n) ensure that adequate instruction and supervision is given to an intern who is working under their supervision or for whom they are responsible;
- (o) not permit any unqualified person to take charge of their denturist office or place of practice;
- (p) not directly or indirectly make any payment or gift to a person who has referred a patient, or receive or accept any rebate, payment or gift from any person to whom a patient is referred;
- (q) assist in preventing the unauthorized practice of denturism and immediately advise the registrar if aware of any person engaging in the practice of denturism without a licence;
- (r) not practise as a denturist while impaired by alcohol or drugs;
- (s) observe all provisions of the Act and these bylaws in the spirit as well as in the letter.

Infection prevention and control

15 All registrants shall comply with the *Infection Prevention and Control Standards in the Oral Health Care Facility, 2022*, as amended or revised from time to time.

Informed consent

16 All registrants shall comply with the *Standard of Practice: Informed Consent, October 2025*, as amended or revised from time to time.

Code of ethics

17 All registrants shall comply with the Code of Ethics approved by council from time to time.

Advertising

18(1) For the purposes of this section, “advertising” is to be taken in its broadest sense and includes all those methods by which a registrant is made known to the public, either directly or indirectly, in a manner that can be fairly regarded as having for its purpose the obtaining of patients or the promotion in other ways of the registrant’s individual professional advantage.

(2) A registrant may make information about themselves and the services they provide, or the clinic where they practise and the services it provides, available to any patient, potential patient or the public generally, subject to the limitations contained in the other provisions of this section.

(3) Advertising, promotion, and other marketing activities must be accurate and not capable of misleading the public either directly or indirectly or through any medium or agent that:

- (a) misrepresents facts;
- (b) compares either directly, indirectly or by innuendo, the registrant's service or ability with that of any other practitioner or clinic, or promises or offers more effective services or better results than those available elsewhere;
- (c) deprecates another registrant or clinic as to service, ability or fees;
- (d) creates an unjustified expectation about the results the registrant can achieve;
- (e) is made under any false or misleading guise, or takes advantage, either physically, emotionally or financially, of any patient, or uses coercion, duress or harassment;
- (f) is undignified, in bad taste or otherwise offensive so as to be incompatible with the best interests of the public or registrants, or tends to harm the standing of the denturist profession generally;
- (g) discloses the names of patients; or
- (h) makes statements that are not statements of fact or makes statements that cannot be proven to be accurate by the registrant or clinic.

(4) All advertising on television or radio or in print, business cards, sponsorships, phone book, yellow pages, flyers, infomercials, business profiles, signage, billboards, names of clinics, paid internet ads, external links, the first 140 characters of a website advertising and all social media is limited to including the following information:

- (a) the name of the denturist;
- (b) the title "denturist", "licensed denturist", or the abbreviation "DD";
- (c) a statement that the denturist is a registrant of the Denturist Society of Saskatchewan together with the Society's logo;
- (d) any earned academic degrees or diplomas;
- (e) years of experience during which the denturist has been licensed to practise;
- (f) the name and location of the clinic;
- (g) hours of business; and
- (h) services offered.

DISCIPLINE

Discipline panels

19 The chair of the discipline committee may constitute a panel of at least three persons, a majority of whom are practising registrants and one of whom is a public representative appointed pursuant to section 9 of the Act, to hear and determine a formal complaint.

Reciprocal discipline

20 A registrant shall immediately advise the registrar of the suspension or revocation of any type of denturist licence held by the registrant in any jurisdiction outside of Saskatchewan and the registrar shall refer the matter to the professional conduct committee as a complaint.

GENERAL

Special meetings

21 For the purposes of clause 7(2)(b) of the Act, the number of registrants who may request a special meeting of the society is the number equal to at least 20% of the practising registrants.

Applications to review decisions of the registrar

22(1) For the purposes of subsection 21(4) of the Act and section 11 of *The Labour Mobility and Fair Registration Practices Act*, an application to review a decision of the registrar respecting an application for registration or licensure must be made to the council by letter addressed to the council:

- (a) within 30 days after a written copy of the decision is served on the applicant;
- (b) received in the society office within that time; and
- (c) setting out the grounds on which the applicant alleges that the registrar's decision is in error, together with any documentation necessary to support the allegation.

(2) The council shall provide an applicant for review with an opportunity to make a verbal presentation to the council, if desired by the applicant, either virtually or in person, as soon as possible after the application is received.

Repeal

23 All previous regulatory bylaws of the society are repealed.

Coming into force

24(1) Pursuant to subsection 14(6) of the Act, these bylaws come into force when they are approved by the minister and published in *The Saskatchewan Gazette*.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), a registrant applying to renew a practising licence or non-practising status for 2027 shall comply with the continuing education requirements in place on the day before these bylaws come into force.

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of *The Denturist Society of Saskatchewan Regulatory Bylaws, 2026* as approved at the meeting of the Council of the Denturist Society of Saskatchewan on March 19, 2026.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:
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Denturist Society of
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APPROVED:
Honourable Jeremy Cockrill,
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