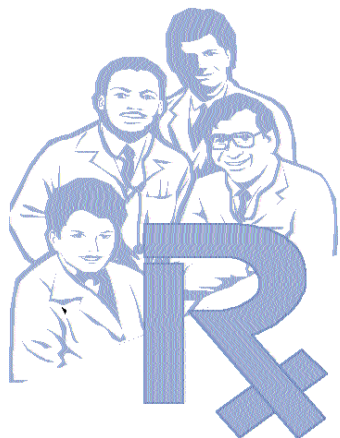




## How to Register as a Pharmacist Intern in five easy steps in terms of the Pharmacy Act, 1974, as amended



### HOW TO REGISTER AS A PHARMACIST INTERN IN FIVE EASY STEPS IN TERMS OF THE PHARMACY ACT, 1974, AS AMENDED

1. Any person who holds a qualification in pharmacy<sup>1</sup> may apply for registration as a pharmacist intern with the Council.
2. Obtain the appropriate application form(s) from the offices<sup>2</sup> of the South African Pharmacy Council.
3. Complete all the sections of the form(s) accurately.
4. Submit the duly completed application form(s) with supporting documentation<sup>3</sup>, including the registration fee(s) as indicated on the application form(s), to the offices of Council in good time.
5. If and when the application complies with the requirements of the Regulations Relating to the Registration of Persons and the Maintenance of Registers the applicant will be registered as a pharmacist intern and a registration certificate will be issued by the Registrar within one week of the date of compliance with the regulations.

#### **<sup>1</sup>”QUALIFICATION IN PHARMACY”**

“qualification in pharmacy ” means a qualification prescribed for purposes of registration as a pharmacist.

#### **<sup>2</sup>APPLICATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE OFFICES OF THE COUNCIL BY-**

- **Telephone**, using the following number: (012) 319-8500 and asking for the Help Desk; or
- **Telefax**, using the following number: (012) 321-1492, Attention Ms Lynette Malan; or
- **Requesting the appropriate forms in writing from:** The Registrar, P O Box 40040, Arcadia, 0007; or
- Downloading the appropriate forms from the Council's website at [www.pharmcouncil.co.za](http://www.pharmcouncil.co.za)

#### **<sup>3</sup>DOCUMENTATION TO BE SUBMITTED BY THE APPLICANT IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS A PHARMACIST INTERN:**

- (a) A **certified** copy of the identity document or passport of the pharmacist intern.
- (b) A recent colour photograph of the pharmacist intern (passport size).
- (c) The original internship contract entered into by and between the pharmacist intern and the tutor specified in Section B of the application form.
- (d) A delegation form (if actual practical training is delegated to a pharmacist other than the tutor specified in Section B of the application form).
- (e) Documentary evidence that the applicant has complied with the requirements of a qualification in pharmacy (BPharm degree) may be submitted by the provider of qualification (university) OR a **certified** copy of the qualification in pharmacy (BPharm degree).
- (f) Documentary evidence that the pharmacist intern has registered with a provider of qualification in pharmacy (university) for a course of study which will lead to at least a master's degree (**academic interns only**)

- (g) Full particulars of the proposed post-graduate study or research to be undertaken (academic interns only)

### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

- (i) Once registered with the Council as a pharmacist intern the applicant is entitled to practise as a pharmacist's assistant (post basic) - refer scope of practice - under the direct personal supervision of a pharmacist.
- (ii) "direct personal supervision" means guidance and support by a pharmacist whilst physically present in a pharmacy.
- (iii) Registration as a pharmacist intern can also take place at the offices of the Council. It will, however, be necessary to make an appointment for purposes of such registration.
- (iv) The Council decided that as from the end of 2002, successful completion of the pre-registration evaluation of pharmacist interns would be a pre-requisite for registration as a pharmacist, for purposes of performing pharmaceutical community service. Furthermore, as from 2002 the competence of pharmacist interns would be evaluated by means of two evaluation papers to be written on two dates in, for example June and October, and pharmacist interns who were unsuccessful would be required to repeat the pre-registration evaluation until successful.

## **SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF PHARMACIST INTERNS**

In terms of the regulations, a pharmacist intern may for purposes of education and training during the internship year, provide or perform all the services or acts pertaining to the scope of practice of a pharmacist. These activities must, however, take place under the direct personal supervision of a pharmacist in a pharmacy. A change from the past, is that pharmacist interns may now also provide or perform all of the services or acts pertaining to the scope of practice of pharmacist's assistant (post-basic). The direct personal supervision of a pharmacist is, however, essential.

This means that pharmacist interns may now work as pharmacist's assistants in other pharmacies apart from the approved pharmacy where their training is taking place. This new provision will assist in enabling pharmacist interns to broaden their experience of the different activities which form part of the scope of practice of pharmacists.

## **ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE REGISTRAR**

(Hierdie inligtingstuk is op aanvraag ook in Afrikaans beskikbaar)

## **ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

Council's postal address:  
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