


**BOARD NOTICE 63 OF 2003****HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA****NOTICE OF ELECTION****ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PROFESSIONAL BOARD FOR OPTOMETRY &  
DISPENSING OPTICIANS**

- (1) Notice is hereby given in terms of the provisions of the Regulations relating to the Election of Members of a Professional Board, calling upon all persons registered with the Professional Board for Optometry and Dispensing Opticians to submit nominations of eight (8) eligible members to serve on the said board for a term commencing in **January 2004** ending **May 2009**.
- (2) Nominations are specifically invited in the following categories:-
  - (i) six (6) optometrists, of whom three (3) shall be previously disadvantaged individuals, to be elected by persons with registered postal addresses in the Republic of South Africa and whose names appear on the register for optometrists;
  - (ii) two (2) dispensing opticians, of whom at least one (1) shall be a previously disadvantaged individual, to be elected by persons whose names appear on the register for dispensing opticians; and at least two (2) of the above eight (8) practitioners shall be women.
- (3) Every person whose name appears on the relevant register or registers kept under section 18 of Act 56 of 1974-
  - (a) who has not entered into a composition with the creditors of his or her estate, or whose estate has not been sequestrated;

- (b) who is not disqualified under the Act from practicing his or her profession;
  - (c) who is a South African citizen and is permanently resident in South Africa;
  - (d) who is not a patient as defined in section 1 of the Mental Health Act, 1973; or
  - (e) who has not been convicted of an offence in respect whereof he or she was sentenced to imprisonment without the option of a fine,  
shall be eligible for nomination.
- (4) Any person entitled to vote in the election may sign the nomination forms for any number of candidates not exceeding the number to be elected, however each candidate must be nominated on a separate nomination form.
- (5) Each nomination form must-
- (a) state the first names and the surname of the candidate nominated;
  - (b) state the candidate's registered profession and professional category, if any;
  - (c) state the other details of the candidate as required in the nomination form;
  - (d) be signed by two persons whose names appear in the register or registers referred to in paragraph (2) above; and
  - (e) be signed by the person nominated confirming that he or she consents to his or her nomination, while the postal addresses registered with the council of every person so signing, must be appended to his or her signature.
- (6) If the person nominated is unable to sign the nomination form, he or she may inform the returning officer by letter or facsimile transmission that he or she consents to his or her nomination.

- (7) Every nomination form must reach the returning officer at the address given below not later than **16h00** on **12 September 2003**.
- (8) A non-refundable deposit of R200-00 (two hundred Rand) must accompany the nomination.
- (9) Every nomination form in respect of which any of these provisions has not been complied with, or which is not received by the aforesaid date and time at the address given below, will be invalid, save where the required categories have not been met as specified in Regulation 3(6) of the Regulations relating to the election of members of a Professional Board.
- (10) This Notice shall be effective from the 4<sup>th</sup> August 2003.

  
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Returning Officer

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Arcadia  
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Postal address: Private Bag X 812  
ARCADIA  
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Date: .....