

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 1974 (ACT NO.56 OF 1974)

REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS

The Acting Minister of Health intends, under section 24 of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974) and on the recommendation of the Health Professions Council of South Africa, to make the regulations in the schedule.

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments in writing on the proposed amendments to the Director-General: Health, Private Bag X828, Pretoria, 0001 (for the attention of the Director: Public Entities Governance), mihloti.mushwana@health.gov.za or paul.tsebe@health.gov.za within three months from date of publication of this Notice.



MS M.T KUBAYI, MP**ACTING MINISTER OF HEALTH****DATE:** 20/07/2021

SCHEDULE**Definitions**

1. In these regulations any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall have that meaning, and unless the context otherwise indicates: -

“Act” means the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974).

Qualifications for registration

2. The Registrar may register as a Dispensing Optician any person who is in possession of the following qualifications:

| <i>Examining Authority</i> | <i>Qualification</i> | <i>Abbreviation for registration</i> |
|--|---|---|
| Department of National Education | National Diploma in Optical Dispensing | Nat Dip Opt Dispensing (SA) |
| Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT) | Diploma in Opticianry National Diploma in Optical Dispensing | Dip Opticianry |

Short title

3. These Regulations are called Regulations Relating to the Qualifications for the Registration of Dispensing Opticians, 2021.