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THE SOUTH AFRICAN INSTITUTE OF MEDICO-LEGAL EXPERTS

SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA

THE SOUTH AFRICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY & THE NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK ACT 2008 (ACT NO. 67 OF 2008)

SAIME is the only institution that is recognised by SAQA as a professional body to certify medico-legal training.

SAIME (The South African Institute of Medico-Legal Experts) is a professional body and the recognition of its professional designations in terms of section 13(i)(ii)(iii) of the national qualifications framework; 2008(Act no. 67 of 2008).

The SAIME professional designations registered with SAQA are:

- Fellow Medico-Legal Expert (FMLE); and
- Certified Medico-Legal Expert (CMLE)

As for the following designations, they are still in the process of registration with SAQA.

- Ordinary Member
- Member Medico-Legal Expert (MMLE)
- Student Medico-Legal Expert (SMLE)

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

HPCSA (Health Professions Council of South Africa): SAIME and HPCSA have both agreed that SAIME shall provide the HPCSA with experts for the purpose of providing inter alia, expert opinions, expert evidence, expert reports, and serving at the HPCSA enquiries in terms of the Health Professions Act 56 of 1974.

SAIME in terms of the authority granted to it by SAQA in terms of Act no 67 of 2008 under Government Notices 44945 of 6 August 2021, hereby prescribe the annual fees payable by the designations of the Medico Legal Expert registered and registered membership.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION ACT, 1996 (ACT NO.108 OF 1996)

The South African Human Rights Commision is a state institution established in terms of Chapter 9 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa Act 108 of 1996. The constitutional mandate of the SAHRC is to promote respect for human rights.

SAIME and SAHRC undertake to cooperate to achieve the protection and promotion of basic human rights to affordable health care to personal injuries victims and the public at large. SAIME further undertakes to provide certification to the health care professionals as well as to assess and monitor the capabilities of health care professionals to handle personal injury type of claims.

Definition for court appearance and Expert witness

A Medical Expert is a person who holds an undergraduate medical(healthcare) degree or medical discipline or medical speciality discipline degree and registered with HPCSA, attended medicolegal course and registered with SAIME(professional body recognised by SAQA).

SCHEDULE

1. The annual fees payable by persons registered in terms SAIME as a professional body recognition of its professional designations in terms of section 13(i)(ii)(iii) of the national qualifications framework; 2008(Act no. 67 of 2008) shall be set out in this schedule and shall be due and payable with effect from the 1st April 2022.

ANNUAL FEES

Should you want to be an expert in any of the following fields, you have to choose a professional designation option that will be suitable to you.

FELLOW MEDICOLEGAL EXPERT: R12,000 - Annual Fees

Awarded to persons who hold MBChB, BDS or PHD degree, Ministerial Positions, Chief Justice, Founding member of institutions including CEOs of companies that deal with personal injury or similar or the equivalent or must have registered with the HPCSA.

Assessment training course accredited by SAIME at NQF Level 9. Eligible to write reports and complete serious injuries forms.

DISCIPLINE(s)



MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY

- AN Anesthetist Assistant
- BE Biomedical Engineer
- **KB** Clinical Biochemist
- DP Dentist
- DP Dentist (Specialist)
- GC Genetic Counsellor
- GC Genetic Counsellor
- **HA Health Assistant**
- PH Medical Physicist
- MP Medical Practitioner
- MP Medical practitioner (Specialist)
- MS Medical Scientist
- MW Medical Biological Scientist
- SMW Supplementary Medical Scientist
- **CA Clinical Associate**
- IN Medical Intern

DENTAL THERAPY

- TT Dental therapist
- OH Oral hygienist
- DA Dental assistant
- SDA Dental Assistant Supplementary

CERTIFIED MEDICO LEGAL EXPERT: R8,900 - Annual Fees

Awarded to persons who hold a health sciences degree registered with the HPCSA and have accomplished the Personal Injuries Medicolegal Assessment training course accredited by SAIME or equivalent at NQF Level 8.

Eligible to write reports.

DISCIPLINE(s)

DIETETICS AND NUTRITION:

DT Dietitian

SDT Supplementary Dietitian

NT Nutritionist

SNT Supplementary Nutritionist

MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

MLS Medical Laboratory Scientist

MT Medical Technologist

SGT Supplementary Medical Technician

GT Medical Technician

SLA Supplementary Laboratory Assistant

LA Laboratory Assistant

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

OT Occupational Therapist

OS Medical Orthotist and Prosthetist

SOT Supplementary Occupational Therapist

SOS Supplementary Medical Orthotist and Prosthetist

OB Orthopedic Footwear Technician

OTT Occupational Therapy Technician

OAS Assistant Medical Orthotist and Prosthetist and Leatherworkers

OTB Occupational Therapy Assistant

AT Arts Therapist

OSA Orthopedic Technical Assistant

OTE Single Medium Therapist

OPTOMETRY AND DISPENSING OPTICIANS

OP Optometrist

OD Dispensing Optician

SOD Supplementary Dispensing Optician

SOP Supplementary Optometrist

OR Orthoptist

PHYSIOTHERAPY, PODIATRY AND BIOKINETICS

PT Physiotherapist

CH Podiatrist

BK Biokinetics

SPT Supplementary Physiotherapist

SCH Supplementary Podiatrist

PTA Physiotherapy Assistant

PTT Physiotherapy Technician

MA Masseur

RM Remedial Gymnast

SBK Supplementary Biokinetics

PSYCHOLOGY

PS Psychologist

PMT Psychometrist

PM Psychotechnician

PSIN Intern Psychologist

PRC Registered Counsellor

RADIOGRAPHY AND CLINICAL TECHNOLOGY

DR Radiographer

KTG Graduate Clinical Technologist

KT Clinical Technologist

SKT Supplementary Clinical Technologist

KTA Assistant Clinical Technologist

SDR Supplementary Diagnostic Radiographer

RSDR Restricted Supplementary Diagnostic Radiographer

EE Electro-Encephalographic Technician

SEE Supplementary Electro-Encephalographic Technician

RLT Radiation Laboratory Technologist

SRLT Supplementary Radiation Technologist

SPEECH, LANGUAGE AND HEARING

STA Speech Therapist and Audiologist

SSTA Supplementary Speech Therapist and Audiologist

AU Audiologist

SAU Supplementary Audiologist

GAK Hearing Aid Acoustician

SGAK Supplementary Hearing Aid Acoustician

SGG Community Speech and Hearing Worker

SGK Speech and Hearing Correctionist

AM Audiometrician

STB Speech Therapy Assistant

ST Speech Therapist

SHA Speech and Hearing Assistant

EMERGENCY CARE

ANT Paramedic

ECP Emergency Care Practitioner

ECT Emergency Care Technician

ANA Ambulance Emergency Assistant

BAA Basic Ambulance assistant

OECO Operational Emergency Care Orderly

ECA Emergency Care Assistant

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MEDICOLEGAL CERTIFIED MEMBERSHIP: R7,500 - Annual Fees

Awarded to persons who hold LLB degrees, Bcom Law or the equivalent and admitted as an advocate or attorney in terms of the Legal Practice Act, No. 28 of 2014. Members must also have completed the Personal Injuries Medicolegal or must have been registered with the Legal Practice Council.

Assessment training course accredited by SAIME or similar training

DISCIPLINE(s)

LEGAL

- M Mediators
- P Paralegals
- L Legal Practitioners (Attorneys)
- A Advocates (Junior & Senior)
- M Magistrates
- J Judges

ORDINARY MEMBERSHIP: R3,700 - Annual Fees

Awarded to healthcare workers and support staff, including medical and legal secretaries/receptionists and paralegal practitioners with NQF Levels 4 and/or 5 qualifications. Can attend a course to qualify only as support staff but are not eligible to write reports.

DISCIPLINE(s)

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

- HI Environmental Health Practitioner
- FI Food Inspector
- HIA Environmental Health Assistant

GENERALIST

- S Secretaries
- A Administration

PA Personal Assistant

CL Clerks

STUDENT MEDICO-LEGAL EXPERT: R2,500 - Annual Fees

Awarded to persons who got proof academic registration in any of the above categories or discipline. Can attend a course to qualify only as support staff but are not eligible to write reports.

DISCIPLINE(s)

EDUCATIONAL

UG Under Graduates

G Graduates

The above categories will be designated upon completion of the courses.

- 2. The annual fees payable by persons registering for the first time shall be a pro rata amount of the applicable annual fee referred to in the schedule to be calculated according to the month of registration after the due date for payment of annual fees.
- 3. The first mass national training including the Grandfather clause adoption for the current practicing experts that have not registered shall be trained on the 7th of October 2022. Those that are not registered as yet, have until the 31st of March 2023 to complete the course.

Otherwise, as from the 1st of April 2023 they will be obliged to attend 1 year medicolegal course which includes mentorship by the senior expert or equivalent.

The personal injury courses completed between the 1st April 2019 and the 31st of March 2022 the course is regarded as valid. But if you have attended the course before the suggested dates you will need to complete a new course to be compliant and will be offered on the below dates.

Training Dates: 7th - 9th October 2022

SAIME is endorsing the training that will be offered by the College of Medico Legal Science.

Website: www.collegeofmedical.co.za
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Board Notice No 2 of 2021 in Government Gazette No 44945 of 06 August 2021 is hereby repeated.

Signed by: Makhwanya Shumani Ronaldo

Signed at 15-01-2022 11:15:01

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Fellow Medico Legal Expert (Makhwanya Shumani Ronaldo)

President & CEO of SAIME

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