

Professional Standards Amendment (Fees) Regulation 2006

under the

Professional Standards Act 1994

Her Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Professional Standards Act 1994*.

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Explanatory note

The objects of this Regulation are as follows:

- (a) to make the application fee for the renewal of a scheme relating to limiting the occupational liability of members of an occupational association under the *Professional Standards Act 1994* the same as the fee (\$5,000) for the approval, amendment or revocation of such a scheme,
- (b) to increase (from \$35 to \$50), and change the timing of the payment for, the annual fee paid to the Professional Standards Council on behalf of each member of such a scheme by the member's occupational association,
- (c) to allow the Professional Standards Council to waive (in addition to remit, as is currently the case) application fees, annual fees and any interest payable in relation to such a scheme.

This Regulation is made under the *Professional Standards Act 1994*, including section 53 (the general regulation-making power).

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Professional Standards Amendment (Fees)* Regulation 2006.

2 Amendment of Professional Standards Regulation 2004

The *Professional Standards Regulation 2004* is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

Amendments Schedule 1

Schedule 1 Amendments

(Clause 2)

[1] Clause 4 Application fee for approval relating to occupational liability schemes

Omit clause 4 (2) and (3).

[2] Clause 5 Amount of annual fee

Omit "\$35". Insert instead "\$50".

[3] Clause 6

Omit the clause. Insert instead:

6 Payment of annual fee

- (1) The annual fee must be paid:
 - (a) if the relevant scheme commences during the period of 3 months ending on 31 March in any year—not later than 31 March in each year, or
 - (b) if the relevant scheme commences during the period of 3 months ending on 30 June in any year—not later than 30 June in each year, or
 - (c) if the relevant scheme commences during the period of 3 months ending on 30 September in any year—not later than 30 September in each year, or
 - (d) if the relevant scheme commences during the period of 3 months ending on 31 December in any year—not later than 31 January of each following year.
- (2) If for any reason a scheme becomes applicable to an additional member of the occupational association during the annual fee period, the payment under clause 5 must be made in respect of the additional member:
 - (a) if the scheme becomes applicable to that member during the period of 3 months ending on 31 March—not later than 31 March, or
 - (b) if the scheme becomes applicable to that member during the period of 3 months ending on 30 June—not later than 30 June, or
 - (c) if the scheme becomes applicable to that member during the period of 3 months ending on 30 September—not later than 30 September, or

if the scheme becomes applicable to that member during the period of 3 months ending on 31 December—not later than 31 January of the following year.

Clause 8 Remission and waiver of amounts payable [4]

Insert "or waive" after "remit" in clause 8 (1).

[5] Clause 8 (2) and (3)

Omit "Secretary" wherever occurring. Insert instead "Executive Officer".

[6] **Clause 8 (3)**

Insert "or waived" after "remitted".