

DENTAL COUNCIL OF INDIA

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, dated 5th November, 2017.

No.DE-87-2017—In exercise of the powers conferred by clauses (g), (h) and (ha) of sub-section (2) of section 20 of the Dentists Act, 1948 (16 of 1948), the Dental Council of India, after consultation with the State Governments as required under clause (g) and (h) of the said Act, and in supersession of the Dental Council of India Revised MDS Course Regulations, 2007 except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Dental Council of India with the approval of the Central Government hereby makes the following regulations, namely:—

PART- I

PRELIMINARY

1. **Short title and commencement.**— (1) These regulations may be called the Dental Council of India, Master of Dental Surgery Course Regulations, 2017.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
2. **Definitions** – In these regulations unless the context otherwise requires:-
 - (a) "Act" means the Dentists Act, 1948 (16 of 1948)
 - (b) "the Council" means the Dental Council of India constituted under section 3 of the Act;
 - (c) "dentistry" includes,_
 - (i) the performance of any operation on, and the treatment on any disease, deficiency or lesion of, human teeth or jaws, and the performance of radiographic work in connection with human teeth or jaws or the oral cavity;
 - (ii) the giving of any anesthetic in connection with any such operation or treatment;
 - (iii) the mechanical construction or the renewal of artificial dentures or restorative dental appliances;
 - (iv) the performance of any operation on, or the giving of any treatment, advice or attendance to, any person preparatory to, or for the purpose of, or in connection with, the fitting, inserting, fixing, constructing, repairing or renewing of artificial dentures or restorative dental appliances, and the performance of any such operation and the giving of any such treatment, advice or attendance, as is usually performed or given by dentists;
 - (d) "NEET" means the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test conducted by the National Board of Examination for admission to post-graduate courses;
 - (e) "University" means a university established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, a Provincial Act or a State Act, and includes any such institution as may, in consultation with the university concerned, be recognised by the University Grant Commission in accordance with the regulations made in this behalf under this Act.

PART - II

GENERAL CONDITIONS TO BE OBSERVED BY POST GRADUATE TEACHING INSTITUTIONS

The details of equipments specialities / unit wise is annexed as Schedule –VII to these regulations.

- (3) **Library:** (a) There shall be a central library which shall provide the latest editions of books pertaining to the speciality and allied subjects. In additions to this, the departmental library shall be equipped with the latest books in the subjects concerned. In case, the central library is shared with the medical college, there shall be provision for additional space and separate budget for the dental college.
- (b) In addition to books and journals in the library, internet, CDs, audio-visual facilities should be available.
- (c) Minimum 15-20 titles of renowned authors, 4-6 international journals of the concerned speciality, alongwith 8-10 volumes of back issues of atleast 3 international journals of the concerned speciality should be available.
- (d) All the journals of the speciality and allied subjects shall be available out of which 50% should be in print form.

Note: All the existing dental institutions shall comply with these requirements except the land requirement of five acres within a period of *three* years from the date of publication of these regulations in the Official Gazette.

Part - IV

STAFFING PATTERN FOR POST-GRADUATE COURSE

15. TEACHING STAFF:

In a unit, two post-graduate students shall be guided by a Professor and one student by a Reader or an Associate Professor. To strengthen and maintain the standards of post-graduate training, the following unit-wise staffing pattern has been made mandatory, for the starting of a post-graduate course, namely:-

Unit 1 :-

Departments/Specialty	Minimum faculty requirement of 1 st Unit in an undergraduate institute having basic infrastructure of 50 admissions		
	Professor (HOD)	Readers/ Associate Professors	Lecturers/Assistant Professor
Prosthodontics and Crown & Bridge	1	3	4
Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics	1	3	4
Periodontology	1	2	2
Orthodontics & Dentofacial Orthopedics	1	2	2
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery	1	2	2
Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology and Oral Microbiology	1	2	2
Oral Medicine & Radiology	1	2	2
Pediatric Dentistry	1	2	2