

Notice to Dental Hygienists Currently on the Roll and Prospective Dental Hygienists

Application for Registration

Background

The Government has announced that the provisions on Dental Care Professionals (“DenCPs”) in the amended Dentists Registration Ordinance, Cap. 156, including the statutory registration system for DenCPs in the class of Dental Hygienist, will come into effect on **24 August 2026**. Dental hygienists currently on the roll (enrolled dental hygienists) are required to **register afresh** under the new registration system and, in the future, renew their practising certificates annually.

Invitation to Application for Registration

The Dental Council of Hong Kong (“the Council”) has issued a letter to all enrolled dental hygienists today inviting them to apply for registration.

Declaration Services

Applicants for registration are required to make a statutory declaration confirming that all the information and documents provided in their applications are true and accurate.

To facilitate applications from enrolled dental hygienists, arrangements have been made with the Central Registration Office to provide free declaration services on specified Saturday sessions. A specific session has been assigned to each applicant. Enrolled dental hygienists are advised to read the Guidance Note carefully before completing the application form, and bring the completed form and all the required documents with you when you attend the scheduled session.

Application Form for Registration

Prospective dental hygienists may download the Application Form for Registration as a Registered Dental Care Professional from the Council’s website.

Important Caution

With the registration system taking effect from 24 August 2026, the enrolment system will be repealed. It will be illegal to perform any dental hygienist's scope of practice in Hong Kong unless the person is registered with the Council.

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The Dental Council of Hong Kong

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