

Appendix 1: Examination Rules Agreement³

As an examination candidate, you are subject to rules of ethical and professional conduct. Failure to comply with the rules of the examination may be regarded as a breach of professional conduct.

The Medical Sciences Council (the Council) regards misconduct during an examination as a serious matter. Any allegation of misconduct against you will be investigated by the Council and may result in you being denied registration.

In the instance that you already hold registration with the Council (e.g. you are sitting an examination as a return-to-practice practitioner), an allegation of misconduct may be referred for a substantive investigation by a Professional Conduct Committee with the potential for charges to be laid with the Health Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal.

Misconduct includes, but is not limited to:

- attempting to take any reference material (electronic or hard copy), personal items or other materials including phones, watches, pens into the examination space
- attempting to access the Internet in the examination space
- fraudulent behaviour in the form of – falsifying results, using falsified identification documents, pretending to be someone else, or arranging for a third party to take your place for the examination
- failing to comply with the instructions of an examination supervisor (proctor)
- engaging in disruptive behaviour during the examination – i.e. attempting to talk to other people during the examination
- behaving in such a way to undermine the integrity of the examination
- attempting to record the examination material and/or attempting to share the examination material with other parties using written notes, audio/video recording or social media
- threatening, violent or inappropriate behaviour towards the Council's staff or examination supervisors (this may also result in a referral to the police)
- directly contacting or attempting to directly contact the examination supervisors before or after an examination for any reason.

Should an examination supervisor have a reasonable concern about your ability to properly establish your identity or concern that identity documents are being misused, you will be refused access to the exam. Refused access to the exam will result in a forfeiture of your prepaid examination fee.

Declaration:

I declare that I have read, understood, and accept the Examination Rules Agreement of the Medical Sciences Council, as stated above.

Full Name:

Registration code:

Scope of practice:

Intended Examination month:

Country in which you will sit the exam:

Date:

Signature:

³ The Examination Rules Agreement document has been adapted from similar documents published by the Medical Council of New Zealand