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## HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT 56 OF 1974

*(Previously the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act)*

*(Government Notice 1874 in Government Gazette 4445 dated 16 October 1974. Commencement date: 21 February 1975 [Proc. No. R.52, Gazette No. 4594 dated 21 February 1975])*

### REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION OF BASIC AMBULANCE ASSISTANTS, AMBULANCE EMERGENCY ASSISTANTS, OPERATIONAL EMERGENCY CARE ORDERLIES AND PARAMEDICS, 2016

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I, Dr Aaron Motsoaledi, the Minister of Health has, in terms of section 24 of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974), and on the recommendation of the Health Professions Council of South Africa, made the regulations in the Schedule.

#### SCHEDULE

##### 1. DEFINITIONS

In these Regulations a word or expression defined in the Act bears the meaning so assigned and, unless the context otherwise indicates –

**"Ambulance Emergency Assistant"** means a person registered as such in terms of the Act;

**"Annexure"** means an annexure to these Regulations;

**"Basic Ambulance Assistant"** means a person registered as such in terms of the Act;

**"professional board"** means the Professional Board for Emergency Care established in terms of section 15 of the Act;

**"Operational Emergency Care Orderly"** means a person registered as such in terms of the Act;

**"Paramedic"** means a person registered as such in terms of the Act; and

**"the Act"** means the Health Professions Act, 1974, (Act No. 56 of 1974).

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**2. Qualifications for registration as Basic Ambulance Assistant, Ambulance Emergency Assistant, Paramedic or Operational Emergency Care Orderly**

- (1) The Registrar may register, as a Basic Ambulance Assistant, any person who obtained, prior to the promulgation of these Regulations or within twelve months after the promulgation of these Regulations, any of the relevant Basic Ambulance Assistant qualifications listed in the Annexure.
- (2) The Registrar may register, as an Ambulance Emergency Assistant, any person who obtained, prior to the promulgation of these Regulations or within thirty six months after the promulgation of these Regulations, any of the relevant Ambulance Emergency Assistant qualifications listed in the Annexure.
- (3) The Registrar may register as a Paramedic—
  - (a) any person who obtained, prior to the promulgation of these Regulations or within twelve months after the promulgation of these Regulations, any of the relevant Paramedic qualifications listed in the Annexure; or
  - (b) any person who obtained, prior to the promulgation of these Regulations or within three years after the promulgation of these Regulations, the following qualifications:

EXAMINING AUTHORITY	QUALIFICATIONS
Cape Peninsula University of Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Diploma in Emergency Medical Care</li> </ul>
Durban University of Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Diploma in Emergency Medical Care</li> </ul>
University of Johannesburg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Diploma in Emergency Medical Care</li> </ul>
Central University of Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Diploma in Emergency Medical Care</li> </ul>

- (4) The Registrar may register, as an Operational Emergency Care Orderly, any person who obtained, prior to the promulgation of these Regulations or within twelve months after the promulgation of these Regulations, an Operational Emergency Care Orderly Course from the School for Military Health Training.
- (5) Despite anything to the contrary contained in these Regulations, the Registrar may register a person as a Basic Ambulance Assistant, an Ambulance Emergency Assistant, a Paramedic or an Operational Emergency Care Orderly, if that person obtained, prior to the promulgation of the Regulations or within twelve months after the promulgation of these Regulations, any relevant qualification recognised by the professional board in terms of section 15B(1)(e) of the Act.

**3. Short Title**

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These Regulations are called the Regulations Relating to the Qualifications for Registration of Basic Ambulance Assistants, Ambulance Emergency Assistants, Operational Emergency Care Orderlies and Paramedics, 2016.

(Signed)

**DR AARON MOTSOALEDI, MP**

**MINISTER OF HEALTH**

**DATE: 21/12/2016**

## ANNEXURE

### BASIC AMBULANCE ASSISTANTS

EXAMINING AUTHORITY	QUALIFICATIONS
Action Training Academy	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Ambusave Academy	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
City of Johannesburg Emergency Medical Services (CoJEMS)	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Critical Care Academy	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
De Vries Ambulance Academy	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Elihle College of Emergency Care	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
ER 24	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Global Emergency Technologies	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Human Emergency Life Programme (Gauteng) T/A H.E.L.P Emergency Medical Training	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
IET Fire Rescue and EMS Academy	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Impact Emergency Technologies	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Kernbridge FET College	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Netcare Education: Faculty of Emergency and Critical Care (FECC)	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
North West Private Ambulance Training College	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Rescu-Life Africa	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
SRQ Ambulance Training College	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
School for Military Health Training	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Bokone Bophirima Ambulance Training College	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Mokgojwa College of Emergency Care	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Mankwe Ambulance Training Centre	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Bokamoso Pre-Hospital Academy	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Ingozi Medicals	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course
Golden Hour Ambulance Academy	▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course

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Impact Emergency Technologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Leximed Training College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Academy of Emergency Medical Training (AEMT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Action Training Academy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Africa Medical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
KwaZulu Natal College of Emergency Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
KwaZulu Private Emergency Care Training Academy (KPECTA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Netcare Education: Faculty of Emergency and Critical Care (FECC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
St John Ambulance Foundation - Durban	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Eastern Cape Ambulance Training College (ECATC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Mary Grace Ambulance Academy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Queensland Ambulance College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Ambutek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
ST John - Cape Town	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Academy for Emergency Medical Training Certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Criticare UCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
De Vries Academy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Eastern Transvaal Regional Services Council - Secunda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Eastvaal Regional Services Council, Secunda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Emergency Services Training College, Benoni	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Highveld Regional Services Council - Middelburg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Human Emergency Life Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Intermed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Medical Resque International - Academy for Emergency and Critical Care, Durban	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Medical Resque International - Academy for Emergency and Critical Care, Johannesburg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Mpumalanga Lowveld Ambulance Training College, Nelspruit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Northern District Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Northern Transvaal Regional Services Council - Pietersburg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>
Potchefstroom Ambulance Training College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant</li> </ul>

Provincial Ambulance Training College – Cape Town	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - Cape Town
	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - East London
	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - George Emergency Services
	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - Kimberley
	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - Port Elizabeth
	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - Stellenbosch
Provincial Ambulance Training College - Free State	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant
Provincial Ambulance Training College -Gauteng	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant
	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - Brixton
	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - Germiston
	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - Johannesburg
	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - Pretoria
	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - Roodepoort
	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant - Sandton
Provincial Ambulance Training College - Natal	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant
The South African Red Cross Society	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant
Traumamed Institute of Emergency First Aiders	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant
West Coast Ambulance Services, Moorreesburg	• Certificate Basic Ambulance Assistant

## AMBULANCE EMERGENCY ASSISTANTS

EXAMINING AUTHORITY	QUALIFICATIONS
Ambusave Academy	▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course
City of Johannesburg Emergency Medical Services	▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course
ER 24	▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course

Human Emergency Life Programme (Gauteng) T/A H.E.L.P Emergency Medical Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Lebone College of Emergency Care (Pretoria)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Netcare Education: Faculty of Emergency and Critical Care (FECC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
School for Military Health Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
SRQ Ambulance Training College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Mokgojwa College of Emergency Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Mankwe Ambulance Training Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Northern Cape College of Emergency Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Central University of Technology (CUT), Free State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Academy of Emergency Medical Training (AEMT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
KwaZulu Natal College of Emergency Care-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Netcare Education: Faculty of Emergency and Critical Care (FECC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Eastern Cape Ambulance Training College (ECATC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Ambutek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Provincial Government of the Western Cape College of Emergency Care (PGWC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ambulance Emergency Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Academy for Emergency Medical Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Ambulance Emergency Assistant</li> </ul>
Criticare UCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Ambulance Emergency Assistant</li> </ul>
Medical Resque International - Academy for Emergency and Critical Care, Durban	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Ambulance Emergency Assistant</li> </ul>
Provincial Ambulance Training College - Cape Town	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Ambulance Emergency Assistant - Cape Town</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Ambulance Emergency Assistant - East London</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Ambulance Emergency Assistant - Port Elizabeth</li> </ul>
Provincial Ambulance Training College - Free State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Ambulance Emergency Assistant</li> </ul>
Provincial Ambulance Training College - Gauteng	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Ambulance Emergency Assistant -Johannesburg</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Ambulance Emergency Assistant - Pretoria</li> </ul>
Provincial Ambulance Training College - Natal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Ambulance Emergency Assistant</li> </ul>

## PARAMEDICS

EXAMINING AUTHORITY	QUALIFICATIONS
Lebone College of Emergency Care (Pretoria)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Critical Care Assistant Course</li> </ul>
Netcare Education: Faculty of Emergency and Critical Care (FECC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Critical Care Assistants Course</li> </ul>
Provincial Government of the Western Cape College of Emergency Care (PGWC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Critical Care Assistants Course</li> </ul>
Criticare UCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Certificate Critical Care Assistant</li> </ul>
Department of National Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Diploma in Ambulance Emergency Technology</li> </ul>
Provincial Ambulance Training College: Cape	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Certificate Paramedic /Ambumedic</li> </ul>
Provincial Ambulance Training College: Gauteng	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Critical Care Assistant - Johannesburg</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate Critical Care Assistant - Pretoria</li> </ul>
Provincial Ambulance Training College: Natal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Certificate Critical Care Assistant</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Certificate AEA (1)(a) Plus AEA (1)(b)</li> </ul>
Technikon Natal National	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diploma in Ambulance and Emergency Care Technology</li> </ul>
Technikon Witwatersrand National	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diploma in Ambulance and Emergency Care Technology</li> </ul>