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OPTOMETRISTS (REGISTRATION AND DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE) (AMENDMENT) REGULATION 2004

(Made by the Supplementary Medical Professions Council under section 29(1B) of the Supplementary Medical Professions Ordinance (Cap. 359) subject to the approval of the Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food)

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on 1 August 2004.

2. Preliminary Investigation Committee

Section 17(1)(c) of the Optometrists (Registration and Disciplinary Procedure) Regulation (Cap. 359 sub. leg. F) is amended by repealing "香港專業視光師學會" and substituting "香港眼科視光師學會".

3. Interpretation

Section 29 is amended, in the definition of "Secretary", by adding "a counsel, a solicitor or" after "includes".

4. Appointment of counsel, solicitor or legal officer as Secretary

Section 31 is amended—

- (a) by adding "of the Board appointed under section 5(4)(a) of the Ordinance" after "Secretary" where it first appears;
- (b) by adding "a counsel, a solicitor or" after "appoint".

5. Forms

Schedule 2 is amended, in Forms 2A and 2B, by repealing "(ID No.:)".

6. Preliminary Investigation Committee

Schedule 5 is amended, in section 3, by repealing "香港專業視光師學會" and substituting "香港眼科視光師學會".

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Optometrists (Registration and Disciplinary Procedure) Regulation (Cap. 359 sub. leg. F)—

- (a) to change the Chinese name of the Hong Kong Society of Professional Optometrists;
- (b) to change the definition of "Secretary" in Part IV to include a counsel and a solicitor;
- (c) to empower the Secretary for Justice to appoint a counsel or a solicitor to carry out the duties which a secretary has to perform in an inquiry; and
- (d) to remove the requirement to provide identity card number in Forms 2A and 2B in Schedule 2.