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**Dentists Registration (Consequential Amendment)
Regulation 2026**

(Made by the Secretary for Health under section 34 of the Dentists
Registration Ordinance (Cap. 156))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 24 August 2026.

2. Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse Ordinance amended

The Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse Ordinance (Cap. 650) is amended as set out in the Schedule.

Schedule

[s. 2]

Amendment to Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse Ordinance

1. Schedule 1 amended (specified professionals)

Schedule 1, Part 1—

Repeal item 3

Substitute

“3. A registered dental care professional as defined by section 2(1) of the Dentists Registration Ordinance (Cap. 156).”.

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Secretary for Health

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Explanatory Note

The Dentists Registration (Amendment) Ordinance 2024 (22 of 2024) amends the Dentists Registration Ordinance (Cap. 156) (**Cap. 156**) to, among other things, provide for a new regime for the registration of dental care professionals in place of the existing regime for the enrolment of dental hygienists under the Ancillary Dental Workers (Dental Hygienists) Regulations (Cap. 156 sub. leg. B) (**Cap. 156B**).

2. Consequentially, references in other enactments relating to the enrolment of dental hygienists under Cap. 156B need to be substituted by references relating to the registration of dental care professionals under Cap. 156. This Regulation makes a consequential amendment to the Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse Ordinance (Cap. 650) to substitute a reference to a registered dental care professional for a reference to an enrolled dental hygienist.