

APPENDIX 6: REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR FOREIGN PHARMACISTS

Country	Registering authority	Country/institution agreement			Registration requirements for all other countries:				
		Country or institution	Requirements	Fees	Prerequisite requirements	Language	Examinations	Fees	Supervised practice
Australia	State Pharmacy Boards (8)	Ireland New Zealand United Kingdom	APEC Assessment Variable, may include: • 4 weeks supervised practice • Tutorials • Law (forensic) assessment • Interview • First aid certificate • 12 months work as pharmacist in country of training	APEC Assessment = 340 AUS State registration + application fee (variable): 130 – 450 AUS	Completion of >3 year pharmacy course. Registered or eligible for registration in country of training. APEC Assessment.	English: OET or IELTS	APEC Stage I Examination – basic sciences APEC Stage II Examination – competency assessment + State Board requirements	APEC Assessment = 340 AUS Stage I Exam = 1210 AUS Stage II Exam = 1740 AUS + State registration / application fee	2000 hours
Canada	Provincial Pharmacy Boards (10)	N/A			Pharmacy degree (in some provinces: graduated from an approved or accredited programme)	English: TSE French (1 province) English or French (2 provinces)	PEBC Evaluating Exam PEBC Qualifying Examination Parts I and II ACP Internship Program Law Examination	PEBC Evaluating Exam= 460 CAD PEBC Qualifying Exam= 1650 CAD + Provincial requirements (variable) including: Internship fee = 100 CAD Practical Assessment fee= 500 CAD Law Examination: 63 - 230 CAD Provincial registration and licence fee: up to \$950 CAD	Variable depending on province: 360 - 1280 hours (maximum 2 yrs) May also include 16 weeks of studentship at University.
Ghana	Pharmacy Council	N/A			Pharmacy degree or qualification that enables applicant to be registered as pharmacist in the country where qualification obtained.	English	Ghana Pharmacy Professional Qualifying Examination	Practicing pharmacist: \$500 New graduate: \$100	Practicing pharmacist: 480 hours (12 weeks) New graduate: 1500 hours (40 weeks)
Kenya	Pharmacy and Poisons Board (PPB)	PBB recognised institutions	52 weeks supervised practice period. Stage II Examination – pharmacy practice and law	Stage II Examination: -Kenyan: 2000 Kshs -Non-Kenyan: 10,000 Kshs	Bachelor of Pharmacy degree of minimum 4 years. PPB committee assessment.	English and Kiswahili	Stage I Examination - pharmaceutical sciences Stage II Examination – pharmacy practice and law	Stage I Examination: 5000 Kshs Stage II Examination: -Kenyan: 2000 Kshs -Non-Kenyan: 10,000 Kshs	1 year total: 6 months hospital pharmacy + 3 months community pharmacy + 3 months pharmaceutical industry

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Ireland	Pharmaceutical Society	IEU/EEA Australia New Zealand	Pharmacy qualification. 4 week supervised practice (Australia and New Zealand) Oral Forensic Examination. Council of Pharmaceutical Society approval of registration.	N/A	Adjudicating route suspended until further notice.				
New Zealand	Pharmacy Council	Australia Ireland United Kingdom	4 weeks supervised practice Interview	Application fee = 337.50 NZD Practicing Certificate = 308 NZD	Original qualification deemed equivalent to New Zealand BPharm qualification.	English: OET or IELTS	PSNZ Inc Preregistration Programme and Assessment First Aid Certificate Law exam	Application = 675 NZD Application Assessment = 1250 NZD Interview = 1100 NZD Application and certificate = 290 NZD Preregistration programme and assessment = 2475 NZD Law exam = 695 NZD	> 26 weeks (Pre-registration programme)
South Africa	Pharmacy Council	Great Britain Ireland (degree <1978) Northern Ireland Rhodesia Zimbabwe (degree < 1985) South Africans trained in: Germany (2 schools) USA (4 schools)	1 year pharmaceutical community service in public sector. Law Examination	Law Examination = 700 Rands	Approval from Adjudication Committee of SA Pharmacy Council. Pharmacy qualification. 12 months practical training prior to registration as pharmacist.	None mentioned	Professional Examination – pharmaceutical sciences and pharmacy practice. Pre-registration evaluation – pharmacist competence.	Professional Examination = 2800 Rands Pre-registration Evaluation = 106 Rands + 14% tax	1 year public sector pharmaceutical community service
Uganda	The Council of the Pharmaceutical Society of Uganda	Ugandan pharmacists who have trained overseas.	Completion of pharmacy degree and pre-registration training in the country of study. Registration approval subject to Council's decision	500 USD	Pharmacy degree and pre-registration training in country of study. Preliminary consideration of pharmacy curriculum, academic transcript and internship experience.	Interview to assess English.	Several three hour examinations in theory and practical aspects. Interview. Registration examination.	Evaluation fee: 300 USD Pre-registration fee: 500 USD Registration fee: 200 USD	12 months (pre-registration training).

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United Kingdom	Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain	Australia New Zealand (ends 30 th June 2006)	12 months employment in pharmacy following registration in original country 4 week supervised practice in the UK Attend reciprocity meeting	125 GBP	Adjudicating Committee evaluation. (+ Interview if necessary) Pharmacy degree.	English: IELTS	1 year OSPAP Pre-Registration Training. Registration Examination.	Application fee = 556 GBP Interview fee = 556 GBP OSPAP fee = provider dependent Registration fee = 125 GBP	12 months supervised practice (Pre-registration Training)
		European Economic Area countries	Original pharmacy qualification must be > 5 years total. Application to Adjudicating committee. Variable (may include): • 12 months pre-registration training • Registration Examination • OSPAP	Application fee = 556 GBP Interview fee = 556 GBP					
United States of America	State Boards (50)	N/A			Pharmacy degree of > 5 years.	English: TOEFL TSE	FPGEE Examination NAPLEX Examination MPJE Examination	FPGEE Examination = 700 USD NAPLEX Examination = 430 USD MPJE Examination = 170 USD State licence fee = 120-150+ USD (variable)	State dependent: 1000-2000 hours

Abbreviations:

APEC Inc: Australia Pharmacy Examining Council Incorporated
 EEA: European Economic Area
 IELTS: International English Language Testing System
 NAPLEX: North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (USA)
 OSPAP: Overseas Pharmacists Assessment Programme (Great Britain)
 PEBC: Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada
 TOEFL: Test of English as a Foreign Language

Information accurate as of 24th October 2005.

EU: European Union
 FPGEE: Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Equivalency Examination (USA)
 MPJE: Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Exam (USA)
 OET: Occupational English Test
 PPB: Pharmacy and Poisons Board
 PSNZ Inc: Pharmaceutical Society of New Zealand Incorporated
 TSE: Test of Spoken English