

## THE REGISTRATION FEES RULES 2024-2025

Each application falling within a category set out in the table below shall be accompanied by the fee shown for the period 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025:

| Applications for annual renewal of registration  | 24/25 Fee |
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| Annual renewal fee   | £405      |
| Application for annual renewal of registration in the register of:   |           |
| Optometrists   |           |
| Dispensing opticians   |           |
| <ul> <li>Bodies corporate carrying on business as an optometrist or<br/>dispensing optician or both</li> </ul> |           |
| for the year commencing on 1 April 2024 and ending on 31 March   |           |
| 2025 received on or before 31 March 2024   |           |
|  |           |
| Low income earners annual renewal fee <sup>1</sup>   | £285      |
| Application for annual renewal of registration in the register of:   |           |
| Optometrists   |           |
| Dispensing opticians   |           |
| for the year commencing 1 April 2024 and ending on 31 March 2025   |           |
| applications received on or before 31 March 2024.  |           |
| Application for annual renewal in the register of student optometrists   | £30       |
| or the register or student dispensing opticians for the year   |           |
| commencing 1 September 2024 and ending on 31 August 2025   |           |
| received on or before 31 August 2024.  |           |

| Applications for annual renewal of registration when entering, transferring or restoring to the register | 24/25 Fee    |
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| Annual renewal fee for the period 1 April 2024 and ending on 31  | £101.25 per  |
| March 2025, pro rata rate based on date of entry to the register of:                                     | quarter or   |
| Optometrists   | part thereof |
| Dispensing opticians   |              |
| Bodies corporate carrying on business as an optometrist or   |              |
| dispensing optician or both  |              |

| Applications for Registration  | 24/25 Fee |
|--|-----------|
| Initial application to be entered on the register of:                          | £80       |
| Optometrists   |           |
| Dispensing opticians   |           |
| <ul> <li>Bodies corporate carrying on business as an optometrist or</li> </ul> |           |
| dispensing optician or both  |           |
| including low income earners.  |           |
| Application for registration in the register of student optometrists or        | £30       |
| the register of student dispensing opticians for all or part of the year       |           |
| commencing 1 September 2024 and ending on 31 August 2025. No                   |           |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> a low income earner is defined as an individual fully qualified applicant or registrant whose total individual income is estimated to be lower than £16,000 for the following year 1 April 2024 - 31 March 2025.



| annual renewal fee will be charged for the year in which they are           |     |
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| applying for registration.  |     |
| Application for entry of a specialty in the register of optometrists or the | £45 |
| register of dispensing opticians.   |     |

| Applications for transfer of registration                                   | 24/25 Fee |
|---|-----------|
| Application for transfer between full registers for all or part of the year | £45       |
| commencing on 1 April 2024 and ending on 31 March 2025.                     |           |
| Application for transfer from the register of student optometrists to the   | £45       |
| register of optometrists or from the register of student dispensing         |           |
| opticians upon completion of a GOC accredited route to registration.        |           |

| Applications for restoration of registration                                   | 24/25 Fee |
|--|-----------|
| Initial application to be restored on the register of:                         | £80       |
| Optometrists   |           |
| Dispensing opticians   |           |
| <ul> <li>Bodies corporate carrying on business as an optometrist or</li> </ul> |           |
| dispensing optician or both including low-income earners.                      |           |
| Application for restoration to the register of student optometrists or the     | £30       |
| register of student dispensing opticians following removal or erasure          |           |
| from the registers for all or part of the year commencing on 1                 |           |
| September 2024 and ending on 31 August 2025. No annual renewal                 |           |
| fee will be charged for the year in which they are applying for                |           |
| registration.  |           |

| Applications for Certificates of Current Professional Status  | 24/25 Fee |
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| Application for a certificate of current professional status. | £30       |

| Applications for assessment of qualifications gained from outside of the UK to gain entry to the register of dispensing opticians or optometrists | 24/25 Fee |
|---|-----------|
| A scrutiny fee for processing documentation for applications for  | £125      |
| applicants qualified outside of the United Kingdom who wish to join   |           |
| either the register of optometrists or the register of dispensing   |           |
| opticians. A separate fee will be charged for each register applied to.   |           |
| For those that have passed the scrutiny stage and require an  | £450      |
| equivalency assessment, a fee will be charged for:  |           |
| Assessment of equivalency of qualifications and experience for  |           |
| applicants qualified outside of the United Kingdom who wish to join   |           |
| either the register of optometrists or the register of dispensing   |           |
| opticians. A separate fee will be charged for each register applied to.   |           |
| An interview fee for non-EEA applicants (this is the cost of a  | £200      |
| telephone/video interview between the applicant and GOC assessors)  |           |

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