

Guidelines on Termination / Reinstatement of Membership of General Dentistry (MGD)

Termination of MGD

As prescribed by the College of Dental Surgeons of Hong Kong (CDSHK), all MGD holders are required to fulfill the requirement of attaining a minimum of 60 CME/CPD points in each 3-year cycle and to attain a practicing annual certificate from the Dental Council of Hong Kong (DCHK). Please find the details of the above said requirement on page 19 of the “Guidelines for Accreditation and Training in General Dentistry”. For those who fail to comply with this requirement:

1. their names will be removed from the list of MGD holders of the CDSHK and the DCHK will be duly notified, and
2. the MGD qualification should not be published or displayed in print or in any electronic form or format.

In the case that DCHK removes the name of a MGD holder from the list of registered dentists, CDSHK shall concurrently revoke the MGD qualification of the holder concerned.

For related information, please refer to the “Guidelines for Accreditation and Training in General Dentistry”. Full explanation of the General Regulations can be found in pages 9 to 10 while that of Diploma Maintenance can be found in page 19.

Reinstatement of MGD

1. A person whose MGD has been terminated or has ceased may apply to the CDSHK for reinstatement of membership.
2. The CDSHK Council may impose such conditions as it may consider appropriate for reinstatement of membership, including, but not limited to, payment of moneys due to the College and the fulfilment of outstanding required continuing medical education (CME) points.
3. The CDSHK has absolute discretion to decide on whether or not to reinstate a person as a member of the CDSHK in the category of MGD.

I. Requirements for Reinstatement

The following guidelines apply to reinstatement applications by ex-Members. Reinstatement of MGD shall be:

- a) upon payment of fees as determined by the College Council from time to time,
- b) subject to the decision of the College Council regarding CME/CPD and any other requirements, and
- c) at the discretion of the Council.

It is the responsibility of ex-Members applying for reinstatement to provide proof of fulfilment of their CME/CPD requirement. The CDSHK **will not** keep and search past CME/CPD records for ex-Members.

II. Fees Payable upon Application for Reinstatement

	Fees Payable
Reinstatement Fee	HK\$5,000.-
Current Subscription	At current rate
Outstanding Subscriptions and Fees (if any)	At current rate

Notes:

- a) *Resignation must be in written form.*
- b) *Any subscriptions/fees due and unsettled before removal or notice of resignation will be regarded as outstanding subscriptions/fees.*

III. Reinstatement Procedures

- a) When an application for reinstatement is received, the CDSHK Secretariat will determine whether the applicant has been a past member of the MGD category and then ask the CME Sub-committee to report on whether the applicant has fulfilled CME/CPD requirements for reinstatement. The applicant will be informed of the contents of the CME Sub-committee report.
- b) Application with CME Sub-committee's report on the applicant's CME status will be circulated to the CGD for consideration. The CGD's recommendation, including whether other conditions (e.g. re-assessment, remedial training) should be imposed will then be put to the College

Council for a final decision. After the applicant has settled all the fees required and provided proof of fulfilment of CME and other reinstatement requirements according to the prevailing policy. The applicant needs to submit a new Letter of Standing issued by the DCHK.

c) The applicant will be informed once reinstatement is confirmed.

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