

**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY  
PHYSIOTHERAPISTS ACT 1977**

**INSTRUMENT NO. 197 OF 1999**

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The *Physiotherapists Act 1977* (the Act) provides for the registration of persons engaged in physiotherapy and for other related purposes.

The Act empowers the Minister under section 54, by notice published in the Gazette, to determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

This instrument revokes all existing fees and determinations under the *Physiotherapists Act 1977* which relate to:

1. Subsection 11(2), fee for interim registration;
2. Subsection 17(2), application fee for registration;
3. Section 20, application fee for registration under mutual recognition provisions;
4. Subsection 24(3), fee for alteration to the register;
5. Subsection 25(1), fee for annual renewal of registration;
6. Subsection 27(1), fee for re-registration;
7. Subsection 28(4), fee for a duplicate certificate;
8. Paragraph 52(1)(a), fee to inspect an entry in the register;
9. Paragraph 52(1)(b), fee to obtain a certified copy of an entry in the register; and sets fees for equivalent provisions under the principal Act. These determinations are considered necessary to achieve full cost recovery for services provided by the Board.

1. Subsection 11(2) of the Act provides for a determined fee for interim registration, payable if a person wishes to practise prior to the application being considered at a Board meeting. This fee remains unchanged at \$20.00 which is consistent with the determined fee for the same provision with other health professions boards.

2. Subsection 17(2) of the Act provides for lodgement of applications for registration other than applications by persons who are entitled to registration under the mutual recognition provisions. The proposed increase for this fee is from \$100.00 to \$110.00.

3. Section 20 of the Act provides for lodgement of applications for registration under the mutual recognition provisions, from participating jurisdictions. The proposed increase for this fee is from \$100.00 to \$110.00.

4. Subsection 24(3) of the Act requires for the payment of a determined fee in respect to any alterations made to particulars in the register at the request of the person. This fee remains unchanged at \$10.00 which is consistent with the determined fee for the same provision with other health professions boards.

5. Subsection 25(1) of the Act provides for the payment of a determined fee for annual renewal of registration. The proposed increase for this fee is from \$100.00 to \$110.00.

6. Subsection 27(1) of the Act provides for the payment of a fee for re-registration where registration was cancelled for failure to pay the annual renewal fee. The proposed increase for this fee is from \$100.00 to \$110.00 which is consistent with the proposed increase in the application fee, the annual renewal fee and the fee for registration under mutual recognition.

7. Subsection 28(4) of the Act provides for a duplicate certificate to be issued to a person where the original has been lost or destroyed, subject to the payment of the determined fee. This fee remains unchanged at \$30.00 which is consistent with the determined fee for the same provision with other health professions boards.

8. Paragraph 52(1)(a) of the Act provides for a person, upon the payment of a determined fee, to inspect an entry in the register. This fee remains unchanged at \$5.00 which is consistent with the determined fee for the same provision with other health professions boards.

9. Paragraph 52(1)(b) of the Act provides for a person upon the payment of a determined fee to obtain a certified copy of an entry in the register. This fee remains unchanged at \$10.00 which is consistent with the determined fee for the same provision with the health professions boards.

A comparative chart of provisions and fees is attached for ease of reference.

<b>Old Fee</b>	<b><i>Physiotherapists Act 1977</i></b>	<b>New Fee</b>
\$ 20.00	Subsection 11(2) Interim registration fee	\$ 20.00
\$100.00	Subsection 17(2) Application fee for registration	\$110.00
\$100.00	Section 20 Application fee for registration under mutual recognition provisions	\$110.00
\$ 10 .00	Subsection 24(3)Fee for alterations to register	\$ 10.00
\$100.00.	Subsection 25(1) Fee for annual registration	\$110.00
\$100.00	Subsection 27(1) Fee for re-registration	\$110.00
\$ 30.00	Subsection 28(4) Fee for issue of a duplicate certificate	\$ 30.00
\$ 5.00	Paragraph 52(1)(a) Fee to inspect an entry in the Register	\$ 5.00
\$ 10.00	Paragraph 52(1)(b) Fee to obtain a certified copy of an entry in the Register	\$ 10.00

<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Initial Fee</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>
<b>ACT Proposed new fee</b>	<b>\$100.00</b> <b>\$110.00</b>	<b>\$100.00</b> <b>\$110.00</b>
<b>NSW</b>	<b>\$ 60.00</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
<b>QLD</b>	<b>\$ 85.00</b>	<b>\$ 55.00</b>
<b>NZ</b>	<b>\$140.00</b> <b>\$300 o/seas</b>	<b>\$175.00</b> <b>\$175.00</b>
<b>VIC</b>	<b>\$160.00</b>	<b>\$130.00</b>
<b>SA</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>	<b>\$ 70.00</b>
<b>WA</b>	<b>\$ 87.00</b>	<b>\$ 55.00</b>
<b>TAS</b>	<b>\$ 75.00</b>	<b>\$ 75.00</b>
<b>NT</b>	<b>\$ 40.00</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>