

**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY  
PHYSIOTHERAPISTS ACT 1977  
DETERMINATION OF FEES  
No. 139 OF 1994**

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The *Physiotherapists Act 1977* (the Act) provides for the registration of suitably qualified physiotherapists and for related matters.

The *Physiotherapists (Amendment) Act 1994* amended the Act to change the short title of the Act from the *Physiotherapists Registration Act 1977*, repeal certain sections of the Act and insert new sections. Prior to its amendment by the *Physiotherapists (Amendment) Act 1994* the Act provided for fees to be those which are prescribed.

Section 16 of the *Physiotherapists (Amendment) Act 1994* inserts a new section 41 into the Act which provides the Minister with the power to determine fees for the purposes of the Act and the *Physiotherapists Registration Regulations (Repeal)* repealed the *Physiotherapists Registration Regulations*. It is therefore necessary to prepare a determination of fees to ensure that there is no hiatus between the transfer from 'prescribed fees' to 'determined fees'.

Section 26 of the *Physiotherapists (Amendment) Act 1994* provides for the renumbering of sections of the Act, however, because the effect of the renumbering will not be known until the Act is reprinted section 26(4) enables a reference in an instrument to a section that has been renumbered to be construed to be renumbered.

A comparative list of the fees which applied under the repealed Regulations and the new fees is included in the attached Schedule. Because of complications caused by the renumbering requirements the Schedule cites the relevant sections of the Act prior to its amendment and the relevant sections of the Act following the amendment although these will be altered when renumbered.

Fees have generally increased in line with changes in the Consumer Price Index, to bring them into line with similar charges in other health professions legislation or to update them in circumstances where they have not been revised for many years.

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## SCHEDULE

| <b>Physiotherapists Registration Act 1977 (Old Act)</b>  | <b>Old Prescribed Fee</b> | <b>Physiotherapists (Amendment) Act 1994</b>  | <b>New Determined Fee</b> |
|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Section 15 fee for application for registration  | \$54.00                   | Paragraph 15(2)(b) application for registration other than pursuant to mutual recognition.                              | \$56.00                   |
| Subsection 17(3) fee for a duplicate certificate   | \$10.00                   | Subsection 26(4) fee for a duplicate certificate  | \$30.00                   |
| Subsection 18(1)(b) annual registration fee and entitlement to re-registration subject to payment of fee | \$54.00                   | Subsection 23(1) annual registration fee<br>Paragraph 25(1)(b) entitlement to re-registration subject to payment of fee | \$56.00                   |
| Subsection 20(3) alteration to register  | \$5.00                    | Subsection 22(3) alteration of register   | \$10.00                   |
| Subsection 21 (1) provisional registration   | \$5.00                    | Subsection 9(2) entitlement to interim registration subject to payment of fee   | \$20.00                   |
| Subsection 22(1) temporary registration & subsection 22(2) extension of temporary registration           | \$10.00                   | Paragraph 15(2)(b) pursuant to section 8 registration at the discretion of the Board                                    | \$56.00                   |
| Subsection 23(2) special registration & paragraph 23(3)(b) extension of special registration             | \$30.00                   | Paragraph 15(2)(b) pursuant to section 8 registration at the discretion of the Board                                    | \$56.00                   |
| Paragraph 36(1)(a) inspect an entry in the register  | \$1.00 per entry          | Paragraph 36(1)(a) inspect an entry in the register   | \$5.00                    |
| Paragraph 36(1)(b) obtain a certified copy of an entry in the register                                   | \$2.00 per entry          | Paragraph 36(1)(b) obtain a certified copy of an entry in the register  | \$10.00                   |
| Not Applicable   | N/A                       | Section 18 fee for registration pursuant to Mutual Recognition Act.   | \$56.00                   |