

Explanatory Statement

Health Professionals (Fees) Determination 2008 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2008–3

made under the

Health Professionals Act 2004, s 132 (Determination of fees)

The *Health Professionals Act 2004* (the Act) is an Act to protect the public from risk of harm by ensuring that the people who provide health services regulated by this Act are competent to provide health services, and for other purposes.

Section 132 of the Act provides the Health Professional Boards with the power to determine fees for the purpose of the Act. This instrument sets fees for the ACT Podiatrists Board and repeals the previous determination of fees (DI2007-18).

This instrument sets fees for registration of persons under Section 112 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, for short term registration under section 115A of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, for late payment of annual renewal under section 127 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, for retrospective re-registration under section 128 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, for provision of a duplicate certificate under section 122 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, for alteration to the register under section 156 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, and fee for an extract from the register under section 155 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004.

The fees are to meet the agreed costs of operating the Health Professions Boards Secretariat and carrying out the functions of the Board.

The fee for initial registration has been increased from \$340 to \$350.

The fee for registration under provisions of the *Mutual Recognition Act 1992* have been increased from \$315 to \$330.

The fee for annual renewal of registration has been increased from \$290 to \$330.

The fee for late payment of annual renewal has been increased from \$290 to \$380. This fee includes a penalty as an incentive to renew on time.

The fee for retrospective re-registration has been increased from \$375 to \$430. This fee includes a penalty as an incentive to renew on time and as a disincentive to practise without registration. Where re-registration is approved without retrospectivity, the fee will be \$380.

Other fees are unchanged.