

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

(The Rules Under the Myanmar Midwives and Nurses Act, 1922.)

No. 80

Dated Rangoon, the 22nd August 1923.

[ Amendment : 18.06.1989 ]

No. 80.- The following Rules made by the Central Midwives and Nurses Council for Myanmar, having been confirmed by the Government of Myanmar (Department of Public Health), are published, as required by sub-section (3) of section 9 of the Myanmar Midwives and Nurses Act, 1922:-

Rules framed under section 9 (1) (a) of the Myanmar Midwives and Nurses Act, 1922.

<Amendment 18.06.1989>

Rules under clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 9, regulating the Issue of Certificates, the Maintenance of Register and the Conditions of Admission thereto.

Admission to Register.

1. (a) Every woman who desires to have her name entered on the Register as a midwife or as a nurse, or as both midwife and nurse, shall apply to the Registrar and furnish in Form I of the Appendix to these Rules, full particulars of the information required therein.
- (b) If the applicant has undergone regular courses of instruction and training and holds diplomas or certificates of having duly qualified as a midwife or nurse, she shall attach such diplomas or certificates in original with a copy of each of them to her application in Form I.
- (c) If the applicant is not possessed of a diploma or certificate as required above, she shall produce evidence of having undergone instruction and training for a period of not less than two years under a registered medical practitioner or other teacher acceptable to or recognized by the Council.
- (d) If the applicant cannot produce either diploma or certificate or evidence of instruction and training as required above, she shall be required to produce evidence from two registered medical practitioners, to show that she is an indigenous midwife (wun. swe) or nurse (Lu-na-tein) practising in her town or district and acknowledged by the people as being of the class to which she lays claim, and she must within a period of twelve months from date of registration pass an examination which shall be conducted by the nearest Civil Surgeon or such other person as the Council shall appoint for the

purpose, and if she fails to pass such examination her name may be taken off the Register at the discretion of the Council.

- (e) In addition to the above, in all cases, applicants shall be required to give the names and addresses of at least three persons willing and able to give evidence of good moral character.

**Evidence of character.**

- (f) One of such persons shall be a householder or a person of good social standing, not being a relative of applicant, who has known her personally for not less than three years, and the others shall be persons such as matrons or senior nurses of hospitals, registered medical practitioners, or other responsible persons with whom the applicant may have worked, or who are able to certify that at the date of the passing of the Act, the applicant had been for at least one year in **bona fide** practice as a midwife or nurse.
- (g) The Council shall invite the persons named by the applicant to furnish testimonials as to her character and professional efficiency in Forms II and III of the Appendix to these Rules, containing the particulars set out therein, and any testimonial so furnished shall be sent direct to the Registrar by the person furnishing it.
- (h) Evidence that an applicant has been engaged in practice shall be of such a character as the Council may in any particular case deem sufficient.

**The Register.**

2. In the Register the names of midwives admitted to registration shall be entered apart from the names of nurses likewise admitted, and each such section of the Register shall be divided into two parts, **viz.:-**
- Part I of the Register of Midwives, as also that of the Register of Nurses, shall contain the names of those who produce, to the satisfaction of the Council, evidence of having undergone regular courses of instruction and training at institutions or under persons, recognised or approved by the Council, and whose testimonial as to character and professional efficiency are deemed sufficient by that Council.
- Part II of the Register of Midwives, as also that of Nurses, shall contain the names of those who produce, to the satisfaction of the Council, evidence required by clauses (c), (d), (e) and (f) of Rule 1 above.

**Form of Register.**

3. The Register shall contain the following particulars:-
- (1) Serial Number in Register.

(2) Name and (if married) maiden name or name before marriage or name at the time of undergoing training.

(3) Permanent Address.

(4) Date of Registration.

(5) Qualification and date thereof.

Under the heading "Qualification" will be indicated whether the midwife or nurse has qualified by examination and holds a diploma or certificate or is accepted as a midwife or nurse by virtue of training and evidence of experience gained subsequently.

Certificate of Registration.

4. Every midwife or nurse whose name has been entered on the Register shall be entitled to receive from the Registrar a certificate of registration in Form IV of the Appendix to these Rules.

**Rule under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 9.**

Admission to qualifying examinations.

5. On and after the 1st January 1925, or such date as may hereinafter be determined by the Council, a candidate shall not be admitted to an examination for qualification as a midwife or nurse, unless she has complied with conditions of instruction and training at institutions recognised and approved by the Council as institutions or persons serving such purposes.

By order of the Government of Myanmar (Ministry of Education, Local Government, and Public Health).

E. H. JONES,

Secretary to the Govt. of Myanmar,  
Depts. of Local Govt. and Public Health.

**----- Attachment -----**

[ ATTACH LIST 1 ] 01 APPENDIX. Form I.- Application for Registration. THE CENTRAL. MIDWIVES AND NURSES COUNCIL FOR MYANMAR. (Myanmar Midwives and Nurses Act, 1922.) To the Central Midwives and Nurses Council for Burma, Rangoon.

[ ATTACH LIST 2 ] 02 Form II,- Form of Testimonial as to Character.

[ ATTACH LIST 3 ] 03 Form III.- Form of Testimonial as to Character and Professional Efficiency.

[ ATTACH LIST 4 ] 04 Form IV.- Certificate of Registration.