1980 No. 459

NURSES AND MIDWIVES

Nurses (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1980 Approval Order (Northern Ireland) 1980

Made . . . . . *23rd December 1980*

Coming into operation . . . *9th February 1981*

Whereas the Northern Ireland Council for Nurses and Midwives has, in exercise of its powers under sections 18, 20 and 52 of the Nurses and Midwives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(**a**) made the Nurses (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1980 and has submitted them to the Department(**b**) of Health and Social Services (in this Order referred to as "the Department") for approval:

Now, therefore, the Department in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 52 of the Nurses and Midwives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970 and of every other power enabling it in that behalf makes the following order:

1. This Order may be cited as the Nurses (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1980 Approval Order (Northern Ireland) 1980 and shall come into operation on 9th February 1981.

2. The Department hereby approves the Rules set out in the Schedule.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 23rd December 1980.

(L.S.) *W. Young*

Assistant Secretary

(**a**) 1970 (N.I.) c. 11

(**b**) Formerly Ministry: *see* 1973 c. 36 Sch. 5 para. (8)

SCHEDULE

The Northern Ireland Council for Nurses and Midwives in exercise of its powers under sections 18, 20 and 52 of the Nurses and Midwives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970 and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, after consultation with the General Nursing Council (England and Wales) and General Nursing Council (Scotland) hereby makes the following rules:—

Citation

1. These Rules which may be cited as the Nurses (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1980 shall be read as one with the Nurses Rules (Northern Ireland) 1965(c) (hereinafter referred to as "the principal rules").

Interpretation

2. In these rules—

"the Act" means the Nurses and Midwives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970.

Substitution for rule 20 of the principal rules

3. There shall be substituted for rule 20 of the principal rules, (Nurses Trained Outside the United Kingdom) the following rule:—

Conditions of Admission of General nurses qualified in States of the European Community

20. A national of a Member State of the European Community who wishes to be registered in the general part of the Register under section 20A of the Act and who satisfies the Council that she is so entitled shall before registration pay to the Council such a fee as the Council may, with the approval of the Department, from time to time, determine.

Insertion of new rule 20A in the principal rules

4. After rule 20 of the principal rules there shall be inserted the following rule:—

Conditions of Admission of other nurses trained outside the United Kingdom

20A. A nurse applying for registration under Section 21 of the Act shall do so on a form supplied by the Council and shall pay such application fee as the Council may, with the approval of the Department, from time to time determine. On being accepted for registration, the nurse shall pay a registration fee of the same amount as is from time to time payable by a person applying for admission who has been trained in Northern Ireland.

Substitution for rule 22 of the principal rules

5. There shall be substituted for rule 22 of the principal rules the following rule—

22.—(1) A person admitted to the Register shall be supplied with a certificate, which shall remain the property of the Council, stating in which part her name has been registered, the date of her registration and, if it is a temporary certificate, the date on which the nurse shall cease to be on the Register.

(2) Any application for the extension of a period of temporary registration or for the conversion of a temporary registration to a permanent one shall be accompanied by the certificate already issued.

(3) A certificate relating to a temporary registration shall be returned to the Council immediately after the registration has lapsed.

Amendment of Appendix I to the principal rules

6. After the word "Registration" in paragraph (*d*) of Appendix I to the principal rules, there shall be inserted "and if the registration is temporary the date on which the registration will expire."

The Seal of the Northern Ireland Council for Nurses and Midwives was affixed hereto this 20th day of November 1980.

Dawson Moreland
Chairman

W. B. Baxter
Secretary

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1965 No. 152 (p. 1536)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

The Rules approved by this Order amend the Nurses Rules (Northern Ireland) 1965 to make provision for

(i) the admission to the general part of the Register of nationals of member states of the European Community who are so entitled by virtue of the Nursing Qualifications (EEC Recognition) Order 1979 which took into account provisions of the European Communities Council Directives (EEC) relating to the right of nurses responsible for general care who obtain their qualifications in a Member State other than the United Kingdom to be established and to render nursing services in the United Kingdom.

(ii) the issue of temporary certificates of registration.