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INTERPRETATION ACT 1965

INTERPRETATION (DELEGATIONS BY MINISTER FOR HEALTH) ORDER 2024

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 36 of the Interpretation Act 1965, the Minister for Health makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order is the Interpretation (Delegations by Minister for Health) Order 2024 and comes into operation on 1 March 2024.

Definitions

2. In this Order —

“MOH Permanent Secretary” means any Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Health;

“MOH political office holder” means —

- (a) any Second Minister for Health;
- (b) any Minister of State assigned by the Prime Minister to assist the Minister for Health; and

(c) any Parliamentary Secretary assigned by the Prime Minister to assist the Minister for Health.

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Delegations to political office holders

2A. The Minister for Health, with the Prime Minister's approval, delegates the functions under the provisions of the Acts specified in the first column of the First Schedule to the persons specified in the third column of the First Schedule, subject to the conditions (if any) specified in the fourth column of the First Schedule.

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Delegations to persons other than political office holders

3. The Minister for Health delegates the functions under the provisions of the Acts specified in the first column of the Second Schedule to the persons specified in the third column of the Second Schedule, subject to the conditions (if any) specified in the fourth column of the Second Schedule.

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FIRST SCHEDULE

Paragraph 2A

DELEGATIONS TO POLITICAL OFFICE HOLDERS

<i>First column</i> <i>Function</i>	<i>Second column</i> <i>Description*</i>	<i>Third column</i> <i>Delegate</i>	<i>Fourth column</i> <i>Conditions</i>
1. Allied Health Professions Act 2011			
(1) Section 21(7)	Appeal against refusal to register	MOH holder political office	-
(2) Section 26(3)	Appeal against removal from register	MOH holder political office	-
(3) Section 49(10), (11), (12) and (13)	Appeal against order of Complaints Committee	MOH holder political office	-
(4) Section 58(12) and (13)	Appeal against order of Health Committee, etc.	MOH holder political office	-
2. Dental Registration Act 1999			
(1) Section 15(7)	Appeal against refusal to register (dentists)	MOH holder political office	-
(2) Section 20(3)	Appeal against removal from register (dentists)	MOH holder political office	-

FIRST SCHEDULE — *continued*

<i>First column</i> <i>Function</i>	<i>Second column</i> <i>Description*</i>	<i>Third column</i> <i>Delegate</i>			<i>Fourth column</i> <i>Conditions</i>
(3) Section 22(7)	Appeal against refusal to register (oral health therapist)	MOH holder	political	office	-
(4) Section 28(3)	Appeal against removal from register (oral health therapist)	MOH holder	political	office	-
(5) Section 42(3)	Appeal against refusal to certify as specialist	MOH holder	political	office	-
(6) Section 46(6), (7) and (8)	Appeal against order of Complaints Committee	MOH holder	political	office	-
(7) Section 55(11) and (12)	Appeal against order of Health Committee, etc.	MOH holder	political	office	-
3. Medical Registration Act 1997					
(1) Section 24(2C)	Appeal against cancellation of provisional registration	MOH holder	political	office	
(2) Section 28(5)	Appeal against refusal to register	MOH holder	political	office	
(3) Section 32(3)	Appeal against removal from register	MOH holder	political	office	
(4) Section 35(3)	Appeal against refusal to certify qualification to be specialist, etc.	MOH holder	political	office	
(5) Section 35B(3)	Appeal against refusal to certify qualification to be family physician, etc.	MOH holder	political	office	
(6) Section 37(4) and (5)	Appeal against cancellation of practising certificate	MOH holder	political	office	
(7) Section 49(10), (11), (12) and (13) (as in force before 1 July 2022)	Appeal against order of Complaints Committee	MOH holder	political	office	-
(8) Section 58(12) and (13) (as in force before 1 July 2022)	Appeal against order of Health Committee, etc.	MOH holder	political	office	-
(9) Section 59I(11) and (12)	Appeal against order of Health Committee, etc.	MOH holder	political	office	
4. Nurses and Midwives Act 1999					
(1) Section 17(8)	Appeal against refusal to register or enrol	MOH holder	political	office	-

FIRST SCHEDULE — *continued*

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(2) Section 32(6)	Appeal against refusal to certify as Advanced Practice Nurse	MOH holder political office	-
5. Optometrists and Opticians Act 2007			
(1) Section 16(3)	Appeal against refusal to register	MOH holder political office	-
6. Pharmacists Registration Act 2007			
(1) Section 21(7)	Appeal against refusal to register	MOH holder political office	-
(2) Section 25(4)	Appeal against removal from register	MOH holder political office	-
(3) Section 37(3)	Appeal against refusal to certify qualification to be specialist	MOH holder political office	-
(4) Section 41(6), (7) and (8)	Appeal against order of Complaints Committee	MOH holder political office	-
(5) Section 51(12) and (13)	Appeal against order of Health Committee, etc.	MOH holder political office	-
7. Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners Act 2000			
(1) Section 15(3)	Appeal against refusal to register	MOH holder political office	-

*Note: The descriptions in the second column are for ease of reference only.

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SECOND SCHEDULE

Paragraph 3

DELEGATIONS TO
PERSONS OTHER THAN POLITICAL OFFICE HOLDERS

<i>First column</i> <i>Provision</i>	<i>Second column</i> <i>Description*</i>	<i>Third column</i> <i>Delegate</i>	<i>Fourth column</i> <i>Condition</i>
1. Advance Medical Directive Act 1996			
(1) Section 6(2)	Appointment of Registrar of Advance Medical Directives and other officers and employees	MOH Secretary Permanent	Nil

SECOND SCHEDULE — *continued*

<i>First column</i> <i>Provision</i>	<i>Second column</i> <i>Description*</i>	<i>Third column</i> <i>Delegate</i>	<i>Fourth column</i> <i>Condition</i>
(2) Section 8(1), (3) and (4)	Appointment of panel of specialists, etc.	MOH Secretary Permanent	Nil
2. Termination of Pregnancy Act 1974			
(1) Section 2 (definition of “approved institution”)	Approval of institution, hospital, etc., for purposes of that Act	MOH Secretary Permanent	Nil
(2) Section 8	Appointment of public officer to enter approved institutions and examine records, etc.	(a) Director-General of Health (b) Any Deputy Director-General of Health	Nil
3. Tobacco and Vaporisers Control Act 1993			
(1) Section 3(6)	Approval relating to advertisements mentioning brand names associated with tobacco products, etc.	Group Director, Health Products Regulation Group, Health Sciences Authority	Nil
4. Voluntary Sterilisation Act 1974			
(1) Section 6	Authorisation of public officer to enter health institution and examine records, etc.	(a) Director-General of Health (b) Any Deputy Director-General of Health	Nil

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