



Emergency certificate of registration – opening, monitoring and closing

Policy 12.4

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Purpose

The purpose of this Policy is to describe the circumstances under which the Council will open the emergency class of registration to allow the Registrar to issue emergency certificates of registration, in accordance with section 8 of O. Reg. 31/24 under the *Medical Radiation and Imaging Technology Act*. This Policy also considers how the Council will monitor the emergency class of registration while it is in effect and close the emergency class of registration.

Policy

Pursuant to paragraph 1 of subsection 8(1) of O. Reg. 31/24, for the College to issue an emergency certificate of registration, the Minister of Health must request that the College open the class based on the Minister's opinion that emergency circumstances call for it, or the Council must determine that it is in the public interest to register MRITs in the emergency class to address emergency circumstances. When determining whether an emergency exists, the Council must consider a number of relevant factors, which are outlined below.

Council Considerations for Opening the Emergency Class

For the Council to open the emergency class of registration, it must take into account all of the relevant circumstances that impact the ability of applicants to meet the ordinary registration requirements, and be satisfied that all the following criteria have been met:

1. Opening the emergency class would be in the public interest.
2. There is a current or imminent threat which impacts the supply of MRITs to meet the needs of the public.

3. These circumstances have a negative impact on the public and/or the healthcare system at large.
4. Immediate action is required to remedy the circumstances.
5. With guidance from the Registration Committee, the Council must be satisfied that all possible pathways to registration have been considered and issuing certificates under the emergency class is the most reasonable solution under the circumstances.

Procedure

Opening the Emergency Class

1. Once the Council has determined that the emergency class should be opened, the Council will consider a motion to open the emergency class and set the date that it will open. If the motion passes, the emergency class opens on the date set by Council.
2. The College will provide information about registration under the emergency class.
3. The College will take appropriate measures to inform the public of the emergency circumstances.
4. Applications will be processed after notice to the public occurs.

Continuous Assessment

While the emergency class is opened, an assessment of whether the emergency circumstances are continuing will be made at each Council meeting.

Closing the Emergency Class

If the Council determines that the emergency circumstances have ended, the Council will determine the date the emergency class of registration will be closed and direct the Registrar to cease issuing emergency certificates of registration. Pursuant to paragraph 6 of subsection 8(3) of O. Reg 31/24, all emergency certificates of registration will be revoked 90 days after Council's determination to close the emergency class of registration.

Applicants with pending applications for registration in the emergency class will be notified that the emergency class of registration has closed and that new certificates under this class are no longer being issued. Registrants who hold an emergency certificate of registration will be notified of the date their certificates of registration are revoked pursuant to the Council's motion.

Applicants and former registrants of the emergency class will be provided with information about the requirements for registration in the specialty class of registration.