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Article 3(3) Certification

Application Form and Guidelines for medical practitioners who wish to be certified as medical practitioners who have had their basic and/or specialist medical training, obtained in a non-EU/EEA member state, recognised in accordance with Article 2(2) of the Directive, and who have subsequently obtained three years professional experience in Ireland, in accordance with Article 3(3) of the Directive

Part One: Personal Information

Part Two: Certification Required

Part Three: Guidelines for Eligibility and Recognised Specialties

Part Four: Fee Payment (€65)

Please complete the application form in block capital letters. Any illegible forms will be returned to the applicant. Take time to read the [Guidelines for Eligibility](#) before submitting your application.

Note: Applicants are requested to read carefully the Information Leaflet and the Important Notes attached to this application form and to retain these for future reference.

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Incomplete Applications will be returned

PART TWO

CERTIFICATION OF MEDICAL QUALIFICATION(S) UNDER ARTICLE 3(3)

1. CERTIFICATION FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING

Article 3(3) – Basic Medical Training Undertaken in non EU/EEA Member State and recognised in Ireland	
Article 3(3) – Specialist Medical Training Undertaken in non EU/EEA Member State and recognised in Ireland	

2. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN IRELAND - TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS AND ACCOMPANIED BY INDEPENDENT EVIDENCE FROM EMPLOYER(S)

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DECLARATION (THIS DECLARATION MUST BE SIGNED BY ALL APPLICANTS)

TO: THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, MEDICAL COUNCIL

I HEREBY DECLARE AND NOTE THAT:-

- (a) the information contained in this form and all documentation* provided in support of my application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief and I have signed this form in my own handwriting;
- (b) I hereby acknowledge and accept that failure by me to enclose all documents required by the Medical Council will result in my application being declared invalid and the fee being forfeited;
- (c) I know of no reason why the Medical Council should not grant me EU Certification in accordance with the provisions of EU Directive 2005/36/EC on the Recognition of Professional Qualifications;
- (d) I acknowledge that the granting of EU Certification is at the discretion of the Medical Council under the provisions of EU Directive 2005/36/EC, the Medical Practitioners Act 2007 and the Registration Rules 2009;
- (e) I hereby consent and give authority to the Medical Council to make any enquiry/ies with anybody or person in pursuance of my application for registration;
- (f) I understand that canvassing of Council Members, training bodies, referees or any other party in relation to my application is prohibited. I acknowledge that canvassing will not assist my application and could be deemed inappropriate. I accept that reports of canvassing will be notified to the Medical Council.
- (g) I have read and understood the following statutory provisions under section 41 subsections (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) and section 55(1) and (3) of the Medical Practitioners Act 2007:

Section 41

- (1) A person is guilty of an offence if the person-
 - (a) contravenes section 37(a) or (b) or 40(2),
 - (b) falsely represents to be a registered medical practitioner,or
 - (c) being a registered medical practitioner, falsely represents to be registered in a division of the register other than the division in which the person is registered.
- (2) A person is guilty of an offence if the person causes or permits another person to make representations about the first-mentioned person that, if made by the first-mentioned person, would be an offence under subsection (1).
- (3) A person is guilty of an offence if the person, with intent to deceive, makes with regard to another person any representation that –
 - (a) the first-mentioned person knows to be false, and

- (b) if made by the other person would be an offence by the other person under subsection (1).
- (4) A person is guilty of an offence if the person makes or causes to be made any false declaration or misrepresentation for the purpose of obtaining registration.
- (5) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable –
 - (a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding €5,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or both,
 - (b) on conviction on indictment-
 - (i) in the case of a first offence, to a fine not exceeding €130,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years or both,
 - (ii) in the case of any subsequent offence, to a fine not exceeding €320,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 10 years or both.

Section 55

(1) For the purpose of keeping the register correct, the Council shall from time to time as occasion requires correct all clerical errors in the register, remove therefrom all entries therein procured by fraud or misrepresentation, enter in the register every change which comes to the Council's knowledge in the addresses of the registered medical practitioners, and remove the registration of all registered medical practitioners whose death has been notified to, or comes to the knowledge of, the Council.

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(3) The Council shall take such steps as it considers necessary from time to time to ensure that the particulars entered in the register are accurate.

***Under current Medical Council policy, if an applicant provides any documentation in support of an application for registration which is later found to be a forgery, the applicant will be refused registration.**

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____ DATE: _____

CHECKLIST – TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANTS FOR ARTICLE 3(3) CERTIFICATION

PLEASE TICK THE APPROPRIATE BOXES TO INDICATE WHICH DOCUMENTS ARE ENCLOSED

In addition to the relevant documentation in Checklist 1, the required documentation specified below **must** be provided with your application. **We cannot process incomplete applications.** The Medical Council reserves the right to return incomplete applications and/or declare them invalid. You must note the relevant requirements for each category set out below

FOR ALL APPLICANTS:

<input type="checkbox"/>	(a)	Unbound copy up-to-date curriculum vitae, including full details of specialist training and experience
<input type="checkbox"/>		Evidence of being an EU National (ordinary copy of passport will suffice)
<input type="checkbox"/>		Application fee

FOR BASIC MEDICAL QUALIFICATION APPLICANTS:

<input type="checkbox"/>	(b)	Letters from employers providing evidence that the applicant has been employed in the full-time practise of medicine for at least three years following the granting of registration in Ireland by the Medical Council
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FOR SPECIALIST MEDICAL QUALIFICATION APPLICANTS:

<input type="checkbox"/>	(c)	Letters from employers providing evidence that the applicant has been employed in the full-time practise of medicine as a specialist in a recognised specialty for at least three years following the granting of registration in Ireland as a specialist by the Medical Council
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PART THREE

Application Guidelines – Article 3(3) Certification

1. Article 3(3) Certification confirms that:
 - (a) The member state national in possession of evidence of professional qualifications not obtained in a member state has been granted registration with the purpose of pursuing the practice of medicine in Ireland in accordance with national rules.
 - (b) That the evidence of qualifications issued by the third country (non EU-EEA) Member State is regarded as evidence of formal qualifications on the basis that the applicant has provided proof to the Medical Council of Ireland that they have practiced the profession of medicine full-time in Ireland for three years following the granting of registration.
 - (c) That in the case of seeking certification in a recognised specialty, that the applicant has provided evidence of practicing the profession of specialist in the specialty concerned.
2. The host member state, (member state of destination) will decide whether the attestation issued under Article 3(3) by the Medical Council of Ireland is valid for the purpose of establishment.
3. In the case of justified doubts, the host member state may seek further information from the Medical Council of Ireland.

Specialties Recognised by Medical Council	
Anaesthesia	Obstetrics & Gynecology
Emergency Medicine	Occupational Medicine
General Practice	Ophthalmic Surgery
Cardiology	Paediatric Cardiology
Clinical Genetics	Paediatrics
Clinical Neurophysiology	Chemical Pathology
Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics	Haematology (Clinical & Laboratory)
Dermatology	Histopathology
Endocrinology & Diabetes Mellitus	Immunology (Clinical & Laboratory)
Gastro-enterology	Microbiology
General (Internal) Medicine	Neuropathology
Genito-Urinary Medicine	Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
Geriatric Medicine	Psychiatry
Infectious Diseases	Psychiatry of Learning Disability
Medical Oncology	Psychiatry of Old Age
Nephrology	Public Health Medicine
Neurology	Radiology
Palliative Medicine	Radiation Oncology
Pharmaceutical Medicine	Sports and Exercise Medicine
Rehabilitation Medicine	Cardiothoracic Surgery
Respiratory Medicine	General Surgery
Rheumatology	Neurosurgery
Tropical Medicine	Ophthalmology
Paediatric Surgery	Oral & Maxillo Facial Surgery
Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery	Otolaryngology
Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery	Urology

PART FOUR

PAYMENT OF FEES

Please note that the application fee is **non-refundable**. Please consult our website for the most up-to-date information regarding application fees at: <https://www.medicalcouncil.ie/registration/fees.asp>. See important note re. fees on page 16.

Method of Payments:

Payments may be made to the Medical Council by Bank Draft or Credit / Laser Card.

1. By Bank Draft

Bank drafts are acceptable provided:

- (a) they are in Euro and are **payable at an Irish Bank in Ireland**. (If they are in Euro but payable at a foreign bank these will be returned as they will incur bank charges which may differ from day to day.) OR
- (b) they are acceptable in Sterling payable at a British Bank in the U.K. OR
- (c) they are acceptable in U.S. dollars payable at an American Bank in the U.S.

2. Credit / Laser Cards

Payments may be made by Visa or Mastercard or by Lasercard by completing the form below.

An additional fee of 2.02% will apply to all VISA and MASTERCARD payments and a fee of €0.25 for all LASERCARD transactions. If you require any assistance regarding the above, please contact the Council's Finance section at +353-1-4983100.

