



South African Nursing Council
Regulating nursing, advocating for the public

Circular 3/2025

**TO: NATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH
NURSING EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS
ALL STAKEHOLDERS**

This Circular serves as confirmation of the South African Nursing Council's fees and fines as stipulated in the Government Gazette published on 13 June 2025.

1. ANNUAL FEES FOR 2026 1.1 NORMAL ANNUAL FEES

The annual fees for the calendar year 2026 for different categories of practitioners are provided in the table below:

CATEGORY	ANNUAL FEE FOR 2026
Registered Nurses and Midwives	R870.00
Enrolled Nurses and Midwives	R520.00
Enrolled Nursing Auxiliaries	R370.00


1.2 REDUCTIONS IN ANNUAL FEES FOR AGE 60 AND OVER

The Council has resolved to introduce reduced fees for nurses 60 years of age and over as per the table below:

1.2.1 60 TO 64 YEARS OF AGE ON 1 JANUARY 2025 (25% REDUCTION)

CATEGORY	ANNUAL FEE FOR 2026
Registered Nurses and Midwives	R660.00
Enrolled Nurses and Midwives	R390.00
Enrolled Nursing Auxiliaries	R280.00

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1.2.2 65 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER ON 01 JANUARY 2025 (50% REDUCTION)

CATEGORY	ANNUAL FEE FOR 2026
Registered Nurses and Midwives	R440.00
Enrolled Nurses and Midwives	R260.00
Enrolled Nursing Auxiliaries	R180.00

NB: To qualify for the discount amounts, practitioners may be required to submit a certified copy of their identity document in order to confirm their age.

Notes:

- The annual fees for 2026 must be received by the SANC (reflect in its bank account) on or before **31 December 2025**.
- The amounts in the tables above all include **15% VAT**.
- The amounts are rounded off to the nearest R10.00.

2. RESTORATION FEES FOR 2026

The restoration fees for different categories applicable from **1 January 2026** are shown in the following table.

CATEGORY	NORMAL RESTORATION FEE	REDUCED RESTORATION FEE
Registered Nurses and Midwives	R2 610.00	R180.00
Enrolled Nurses and Midwives	R1 560.00	R180.00
Enrolled Nursing Auxiliaries	R1 110.00	R180.00
Retired Nurses	R 180.00	R180.00

Notes:

The reduced restoration fee only applies to a practitioner:

- Who has been removed from the register at his/her own request; or
- Who must be 60 years of age or older on **1 January 2026**. (Note: This must be confirmed with the Council before paying the reduced amount.)

3. VOLUNTARY REMOVAL

A nurse practitioner who no longer wishes to practise in South Africa or who is unemployed, may request, in writing, for a voluntary removal of his/her name from the register, by completing the form available from the SANC. If a voluntary removal is granted by the SANC, the nurse practitioner's

name will be removed accordingly on the **31st of December** of the year in which the application is received.

Once removed, the nurse practitioner will no longer be required to pay annual fees while he/she is removed from the register.

If the nurse practitioner requires reinstatement onto the register, he/she will, in addition to paying the reduced restoration fee, be required to complete a Restoration Form which can be accessed from the SANC website, www.sanc.co.za. It must be noted that practising while not being registered is illegal.

4. CLOSING DATE FOR PAYMENT OF ANNUAL FEES

Please note that for the calendar year 2026, the closing date for the payment of annual fees is **31 December 2025**. Payments must reach the SANC bank account on or before the closing date. You are, therefore, urged not to leave payment for the last minute to avoid problems associated with making payments at year end.

Remember: Bank transfers from non-FNB banks may take up to **3 working days** and you are therefore advised to pay well in advance to meet the **31 December 2025** deadline to ensure that the money reflects in the SANC's bank account by 31 December 2025.

5. ELECTRONIC ANNUAL PRACTISING CERTIFICATES

- 5.2.1 The SANC will, from July 2025, send electronic annual practising certificates (APCs) by **EMAIL** to nurse practitioners upon receiving their 2026 annual fee payment. This is a pilot phase and is to be rolled out in phases.
- 5.2.2 **From July 2026**, the Council will fully implement the issuing of electronic annual practising certificates and no longer issue printed annual practising certificates, except in exceptional cases as defined during the 2025/26 pilot study.
- 5.2.3 The SANC is also embarking on a campaign for nurse practitioners to update their contact details (emails and cell phone numbers specifically) to ensure the SANC has recent and correct email addresses and cell phone numbers in its records. This will assist in ensuring that nurse practitioners receive their electronic annual practising certificate in time and via email as of 2026. *(Refer to Circular 2 of 2025)*

6. OTHER FEES

Please note that other fees and fees payable by institutions will be applicable with effect from **01 January 2026**.

7. PERSAL DEDUCTIONS

The signing of Resolution 3 of 2019 in September 2019 by the National Department of Health together with major trade unions in Public Health and Social Development Sectoral Bargaining Council (PHSDSBC), brought into effect the implementation of PERSAL deductions from the 2020 APC season for all employees falling under the scope of the PHSDSBC. **As a result of this agreement, affected nurse practitioners are urged not to pay the annual fees on their own as the employers are required to pay on their behalf in terms of Resolution 3 of 2019.**

8. eREGISTER

The SANC has made an eRegister facility available on the SANC website which can be utilised by employers to verify the registration status of all nurse practitioners in their employment. Employers **MUST** utilise this facility to verify the authenticity of the electronic annual practising certificate presented to them.

Visit: <https://www.sanc.co.za/eRegister.aspx> for more details.

9. COMMUNITY SERVICE PRACTITIONERS

Community Service Practitioners are not eligible to be issued with an APC, and therefore, should NOT pay annual fees. They MUST pay a conversion fee on completion of their Community Service in order to be registered as nurse practitioners using the REGFPRA registration fee code instead of ANLFEEES (e.g. 12345678REGFPRA).

Yours sincerely



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SOUTH AFRICAN NURSING COUNCIL

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BOARD NOTICE 793 OF 2025

Nursing Act, 2005 (Act No. 33 of 2005)**NOTICE REGARDING FEES PAYABLE TO THE COUNCIL IN TERMS OF THE
REGULATIONS REGARDING FEES AND FINES PAYABLE TO THE SOUTH
AFRICAN NURSING COUNCIL****DEFINITION**

1. In this notice, "the regulations" means the Regulations Regarding Fees and Fines Payable to the South African Nursing Council published by Government Notice No. R. 170 of 8 March 2013.

ANNUAL FEES

2. The amounts of the annual fee referred to in 2(1) (c) of the regulations have been determined by the Council as shown in the table below.
3. These amounts apply to annual fees in respect of the annual fee year 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2026, which may be paid from 1 July 2025, and which must be received by Council before or on 31 December 2025 (final date to receive payment).
4. These annual fee amounts will apply to all subsequent annual fee years until such time that the fees are amended by a notice in the *Gazette*.
5. The 25% discount applies to practitioners who are or will be 60 to 64 years of age on 1 January 2026.
6. The 50% discount applies to practitioners who are or will be 65 years of age or older on 1 January 2026.

Category of Registration	Annual Fee Amounts (Including VAT)		
	Full Amount	25% Discount (*)	50% Discount (**)
Professional Nurse Midwife Registered Nurse Registered Midwife	R870-00	R660-00	R440-00
Staff Nurse Auxiliary Midwife Enrolled Nurse Enrolled Midwife	R520-00	R390-00	R260-00
Auxiliary Nurse Enrolled Nursing Auxiliary	R370-00	R280-00	R180-00

(*) To qualify for the 25% discount, a practitioner must be 60 to 64 years of age on 1 January 2026.

(**) To qualify for the 50% discount, a practitioner must be 65 years of age or older on 1 January 2026.

N.B. To qualify for the discount amounts, a practitioner may be required to submit a certified copy of his/her identity document in order to confirm his/her age. Also note that the amounts charged are rounded to the nearest R10.00

RESTORATION FEES

7. The amounts of the restoration fees referred to in 2(1) (y) and (z) of the regulations have been determined by the Council as shown in the table below.
8. These restoration fee amounts will apply from 1 January 2026.
9. The reduced restoration fee only applies to:
 - a) those practitioners who were removed from the register at their own request; or
 - b) practitioners who are or will be 60 years of age or older on 1 January 2026.

Category of Registration	Reduced (*) Restoration Fees (including VAT)	Regular Restoration Fees (including VAT)
Professional Nurse Midwife Registered Nurse Registered Midwife	R180-00	R2 610-00
Staff Nurse Auxiliary Midwife Enrolled Nurse Enrolled Midwife	R180-00	R1 560-00
Auxiliary Nurse Enrolled Nursing Auxiliary	R180-00	R 1110-00
Retired Nurses	R180-00	R180-00

(*) To qualify for the reduced restoration fee, a practitioner must have been removed from the register at his/her own request or must be 60 years or older on 1 January 2026.

FEEES AND FINES PAYABLE BY INSTITUTIONS

Accreditation

Accreditation Fees
(Nursing Education
Institution) –section
2(1) (a)

Leamer Enrolment
(number of
learners)

Payable Rate 1	Payable Rate 2	Payable Rate 3	Payable Rate 4
1-50	51-75	76-100	>100
R9 080-00	R18 210-00	R27 310-00	R34 140-00

Re-accreditation Fees
(Nursing Education
Institution)

Payable	Application Fees- Re-accreditation
R 29 880-00	R 7 460-00

Accreditation Fees
(Nursing Education
Programme)-section 2(1) (b)

Number of Programmes

Payable Rate 1	Payable Rate 2	Payable Rate 3
1-2	3-6	>6
R18 140-00	R27 210-00	R36 280-00

Application for
Nursing
Programmes/Revis
ed Curriculum
Evaluation –
section 2(1) (i)

Payable			
One-year	Three-year	Four-year	Post registration /Post/ Basic Graduate Diploma
R1 710-00	R5 440-00	R13 610-00	R9 070-00

Audit Visit Fee
(Clinical Facility) –
section 2(1)(j)

Payable Rate 1	Payable Rate 2	Payable Rate 3
1	2-4	>4
R9 070-00	R18 140-00	R27 210-00

Audit Visit Fee
(Nursing Education
Institution) – section
2(1)(j)

Payable Rate 1	Payable Rate 2	Payable Rate 3
1	2-4	>4
R9 070-00	R18 140-00	R27 210-00

Focus Visit Fee
(Clinical Facility)
– section 2(1)(o)

Payable Rate 1	Payable Rate 2	Payable Rate 3
1	2-4	>4
R9 070-00	R18 140-00	R27 210-00

Focus Visit Fee
(Nursing Education
Institution) – section
2(1)(p)

Payable Rate 1	Payable Rate 2	Payable Rate 3
1	2-4	>4
R9 070-00	R18 140-00	R27 210-00

Description	Amount Payable
Annual Nursing Education Institution Fee – section 2(1)(d)	R18 140-00
Application Fee (Clinical Facility) – section 2(1)(e)	R4 540-00
Application Fee (Nursing Education Institution) – section 2(1)(h)	R4 540-00
Application Fee (Nursing Education Programme) – section 2(1)(l)	R4 540-00

Imposed Fines**Late registration of learners (Payable by NEIs)**

Per Learner (across the board)	R 990-00
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Retrospective registration of learner nurses and learner midwives

Number of learners

Payable Rate 1	Payable Rate 2	Payable Rate 3
1-5	6-10	11 and above
R1 250-00	R2 500.00	R5000 -00

Excess intake of accredited number of learners per intake

Number of learners

Payable Rate 1	Payable Rate 2	Payable Rate 3
1-5	6-10	11 and above
R1 250-00	R2 500.00	R5000 -00


OTHER FINES

OFFENCE	FINE
NEIs commencing programmes prior to full accreditation	R5000-00
Placement of learners at unapproved clinical facilities	R5000-00
Increase of learners per intake prior to approval	R5000.00
Failure of NEIs inform Council regarding change of management	R5000.00
NEIs commencing with the offering of a fully accredited programme before submission of prior to commencement information	R5000.00

OTHER FEES

Section of the regulations	Description	Amount (including VAT)
2(1)(f)	Application fee (foreign additional qualification): - SADC countries - Other countries	R 1 720-00 R 1 720-00
2(1)(g)	Application fee (foreign basic qualification): - SADC countries - Other countries	R 1 720-00 R 2 560-00
2(1)(k)	Certificate of Status Fee	R 2 740-00
2(1)(l)	Duplicate Certificate Fee	R 540-00
2(1)(m)	Examination Fee (per paper)	R 540-00
2(1)(n)	Extract Fee	R 120-00
	Late Registration penalty per applicant	R 1 100-00
2(1)(q)	Late Entry Fee (exams)	R 1 270-00
2(1)(r)	Licence Fee (private practice) (pending promulgation of regulations)	Pending
2(1)(s)	Registration Fee (additional qualification)	R 540-00
2(1)(t)	Registration Fee (assessors, moderators and verifiers)	R 280-00
2(1)(u)	Registration Fee (learner)	R 350-00
2(1)(v)	Registration Fee (practitioner)/category	R 930-00
2(1)(w)	Registration Fee (section 56 registration) (pending promulgation of regulations)	Pending
2(1)(x)	Remarkin Fee (exam paper)	R 1 210-00
2(1)(aa)	Transcript of Training Fee	R 2 740-00
2(1)(bb)	Verification Fee	R 2 740-00

Fees Payable by Institutions and Other Fees will be applicable from 1 January 2026.


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