

Registering with the GDC once you have qualified as a dentist in the UK

Have you qualified as a dentist in the UK?

To practise as a dentist in the UK you are required to be registered with the General Dental Council (GDC).

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Personalised application

Following completion of the online application process, you will be issued with a personalised application form which will include your name and application reference number.

To complete the application process you are required to print, sign and return this along with your supporting documents.

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Online application

All students are required to complete an online application form which is available on our online portal eGDC by selecting 'Apply to register'.

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Supporting documents

You'll need to provide the following documents to support your application before returning to us or your dental school:

- Evidence of identity
- Proof of qualification
- A character reference

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What happens next?

A registration certificate will be sent to your address within ten working days.

Your full name and your GDC registration number will appear in the Register.

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Professional indemnity

Once registered, you must have professional indemnity to practise in the UK.

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Continuing professional development (CPD)

Once you have registered, you must undertake continuing professional development in five-year cycles.

Further information will be sent to you with your certificate of registration

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Annual Retention Fee

The Annual Retention Fee (ARF) is the fee all registered dentists must pay each year to remain on the Register.

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