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Policy: EMERGENCY REGISTRATION AND LICENSING

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# Emergency Registration and Licensing

## Purpose

The purpose of professional regulation is to protect the public from harm posed by professionals. Emergency registration and licensure must not compromise the CMLPSK's (SSMLT) commitment to serve the public and its regulatory responsibilities. The public benefit of emergency registration and licensure must outweigh the risks.

Emergency registration and licensure intends to ensure public access to health care during an officially declared state of emergency under *The Emergency Planning Act (Saskatchewan)* or the *Quarantine Act (Canada)*, or any similar legislation.

The Executive Director (Registrar) is authorized to issue emergency registration and licensure to individuals who, in other circumstances, may not typically meet CMLPSK's (SSMLT) requirements. The Registrar must assess and mitigate potential risks with the use of terms, conditions and restrictions imposed with emergency registration and licensure on a case-by-case basis.

## Eligibility

The Regulatory bylaws allow the Executive Director (Registrar) to register and license the following individuals in an emergency as per the Regulatory bylaws section 8:

*"Notwithstanding any other provision of these bylaws, in an emergency, the executive director may register and issue a licence to practise to a person who has been licensed to practise as a medical laboratory technologist in Canada under any terms or conditions that the executive director considers appropriate."*

## Authority

[The Medical Laboratory Technologists Act, 1995](#)

[The Regulatory Bylaws](#)

## Procedure

### APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants shall contact the CMLPSK (SSMLT) office by email to receive the online application form.

The CMLPSK (SSMLT) will collect information such as:

- contact information
- employment history
- consent to share information with relevant parties
- record check
- any other pertinent information.

Applications may be processed on an expedited basis and, in some cases, without the usual documentation.

### TERMS/CONDITIONS/RESTRICTIONS

The Registrar can issue registration and licensure under any terms, conditions and restrictions that the registrar considers appropriate. The terms, conditions, and restrictions, if any, will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Examples of terms, conditions and restrictions:

- limited licence timeframe
- requirements of supervision
- restriction from specific activities
- restrictions to or from field(s) of practice

### EVALUATION

The Registrar will consider several factors in determining eligibility:

- if they are active practicing in another Canadian jurisdiction and meet CMLPSK (SSMLT) registration requirements
- if they are inactive or non-practicing and meet the CMLPSK (SSMLT) registration requirements
- the status of previous and current registration with CMLPSK (SSMLT)
- the status of any current, pending or past investigations and disciplinary processes
- if their status is in 'good standing' with current or previous jurisdictions they registered
- the applicant's status in an accredited Canadian MLT education program, if applicable.

### STANDARDS OF PRACTICE & CODE OF ETHICS

Persons who are registered and licensed under the emergency authority must still comply with all legislation and bylaws affecting MLT practice including the *Standards of Practice* and *Code of Ethics* as required by sections 17 and 18 of the *Regulatory Bylaws*.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

- [Standards of Practice](#)
- [Code of Ethics](#)
- 1.5 Language Requirements Policy
- 1.9 Records Check Policy
- 1.10 Photo Identification Policy
- 1.17 Admission and Re-admission Policy

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