



Midwives applying for registration under the TTMRA

May 2021

Online application form

Create an account through the website

Registration fee

Must be paid at time of application

1. Registration

All documents are required before registration can occur. Copies must be certified as correct by a Notary Public, Solicitor, or Justice of the Peace. Once all documents are received, registration will be completed by our registration team.

Identity and Fitness to Practice. The Council requires:

- Written notice seeking registration and payment of the fee.
- Statutory declaration this is completed as part of the online application.
- Evidence of identity (two sources including one with photo).
- Certificate of good standing (will be sought by the Council).
- Details of midwifery practice in last five years and work contact details of two referees.
- Police check (required from any country you lived in for more than 12 months). Your Australian police check needs to come from the AFP.
- Written consent for communication between authorities.
- Medical certificate, sent directly to the Council from GP.
- Some documents can be uploaded, originals need to come directly to the Council at the time of registration.

There are costs associated with Overseas Competence Programme requirements. Midwives should check what these are.

2. Conditions on scope of practice at time of registration

All midwives registered under TTMRA will have the following conditions on their scope of practice.

Must work as an employed midwife or LMC in established group practice

May not prescribe any medications

Must complete the Overseas Competence Programme (OCP) within 24 months of issue of first APC

- **Cultural Competence*** This must be completed before the first practising certificate is issued
- NZ Maternity and Midwifery Systems*
- Treaty of Waitangi workshop
- Pharmacology and Prescribing*
- Examination of the newborn (theory* and practical)
- GAP (Growth Assessment Protocol) education

* Available online

3. Additional or amended conditions for new graduate midwives

Must work as an employed midwife within formal support structure

Must enrol in Midwifery First Year of Practice Programme

Registration and Practising Certificates are two separate processes in New Zealand

The midwife may apply for the conditions to be removed when:

- They have completed an approved pharmacology and prescribing course
- They have completed any of the other required modules of the OCP

There is a cost associated with the MFYP programme and applicants for registration are advised to discuss this with their employer and the NZCOM.

4. Before your first Practising Certificate is granted you must:

Overseas Competence Programme

- Sign and return all documents provided in your registration pack
- Provide evidence of completion of Cultural Competence course
- Provide your plan to complete the Overseas Competence Programme before applying for your first annual practising certificate
- Provide evidence of completion or enrolment in the NZ Maternity and Midwifery Systems course

Verified identity documents must be posted

Evidence of employment

- Provide evidence of employment e.g. contract or if not new graduate and intending to work as LMC, details of how they will practise within an established group practice

Supervisor

- The Council will appoint a supervisor for you
- A report will be sought from the supervisor every 4 weeks for a minimum of twelve months

The Midwifery Council

The Midwifery Council makes sure midwives meet and maintain professional standards of education, conduct and performance so that they deliver high quality healthcare throughout their careers. The safety of mothers and babies comes first.