



Regulation 35

ANZCA Certificates and Diplomas

35. ANZCA Certificates

Note: Dates in italics flag the dates of recent changes to the regulation, e.g., 08/08 indicates a change made to the following paragraph in August 2008.

Pursuant to article 7.3 of the Constitution:

7.3.1: The Council has the power from time to time to make, amend, or repeal all such regulations as it deems necessary or desirable for the proper conduct and management of the College, the regulation of its affairs and the furtherance of its objectives.

Noting that:

7.3.3: No regulation shall be inconsistent with, nor shall it affect the repeal or modification of, anything contained in the Constitution.

35.1 Introduction

These ANZCA Certificates and Diplomas are qualifications awarded by ANZCA to recognise the successful attainment of special knowledge, skills and experience. They may be awarded in areas of medicine related to but outside the mainstream clinical specialist practice of Anaesthesia, Perioperative Medicine and Pain Medicine. These qualifications are distinct from Fellowship conferred by ANZCA and its faculty(ies).

35.2 Definition of an ANZCA Certificate/Diploma

An ANZCA Certificate/Diploma:

35 2.1 Addresses the need for defined standards of practice in an area of medicine related to but outside the mainstream clinical specialist practice of Anaesthesia, Perioperative Medicine and Pain Medicine and which is not limited to a single procedure.
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35 2.2 Has a training and assessment program prepared and managed by the Education Executive Management Committee of ANZCA.
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35 2.3 Shall be available to Fellows, trainees, medical practitioners and other healthcare workers who have the necessary prerequisite experience, training and skills.

35 2.4 Shall be awarded to successful candidates by ANZCA Council following recommendations from the Education Executive Management Committee in recognition of the attainment of special knowledge, skills and experience.
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35 2.5 May be withdrawn if the requirement for such a qualification becomes no longer necessary or if the special area of medicine becomes part of mainstream specialist practice in Anaesthesia, Perioperative Medicine or Pain Medicine.

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35.2.6 Shall require participation in relevant Continuing Professional Development by the qualification holder.

35.2.7 Shall show:

"The Council of the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists certifies that:

(name of recipient)

has fulfilled the training program requirement for the Certificate/Diploma *(insert as appropriate)* in *(relevant area of expertise)*

Date:

Signature: *(name)*

Chair, ANZCA Education Executive Management Committee

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35.2.8 Shall:

35.2.8.1 **Not** apply to any subspecialty area of medicine examined in the ANZCA and Faculty Fellowship examinations.

35.2.8.2 **Not** be a registrable qualification, unlike the Fellowship Diplomas of ANZCA and its Faculties.

35.2.8.3 **Not** permit exclusive rights to practise in the particular area.

35.2.8.4 **Not** imply Fellowship of ANZCA or its Faculties.

35.2.8.5 **Not** imply access to the privileges associated with Fellowship.

35.3 Education Executive Management Committee of ANZCA

35.3.1 The Education Executive Management Committee is the ANZCA Council committee responsible for managing all such Certificate and Diploma programs (see Regulation 2.13).
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35.4 Certificate/Diploma Program

A Certificate/Diploma program must comprise the following components:

35.4.1 A course that includes objectives and curriculum.

35.4.2 A clinical training component that has a minimum period of accredited training.

35.4.3 A process to accredit clinical training facilities.

35.4.4 An assessment process to pass or fail candidates.

35.4.5 A process of CPD (see 35.2.6)

35.4.6 A fee structure for these Certificate/Diploma trainees (which may include annual subscription, application fee, examination fees) and for the qualification holders (which may include annual subscription, CPD fee)

35.5 Summary of Process

35.5.1 The need for a Certificate/Diploma in an appropriate area of medicine is identified. (see 35.2.1)

35.5.2 A group of practitioners (Working Party) develops a draft qualification program (including a business plan) and submits it to ANZCA for approval.

35.5.3 The Education Executive Management Committee considers the application and makes recommendations to Council.

35.5.4 Council grants the Education Executive Management Committee the authority to further develop the program and the assessment process. This may involve forming an interim committee (or Project Group) while transitioning to a formal qualification committee. Members of these committees may include practitioners from 35.5.2.

35 5.5 The Education Executive Management Committee monitors the training and assessment process.

35 5.6 Council awards the qualification following recommendations from the Education Executive Management Committee.

35 5.7 At regular intervals the Education Executive Management Committee reviews the requirement to continue the program.

35 5.8 These qualification holders undertake a process of CPD (see 35.2.6).
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DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

In these regulations:

- “Constitution” means the Constitution of the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists as amended from time to time; and
- “Regulations” means any regulation made in accordance with article 7.3; and
- “Council” means the ANZCA Council
- Heading and boldings do not affect the interpretation.

Unless otherwise specified, or the contrary intention appears in these regulations:

- Where a word or phrase is defined in the Constitution the word or phrase has the same meaning throughout these regulations; and
- The singular includes the plural and vice versa; and
- A person includes an individual, a body corporate, a partnership, a firm, unincorporated association or institution and a government body; and
- These regulations shall come into operation on the date they are approved and adopted by the Council.