



**Registration and Licensing Application Checklist - CFTA Applicant**  
**Licensing Year Nov 1, 2024, to Oct 31, 2025**  
**College of Dental Hygienists of Nova Scotia**  
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**To verify that you hold an unrestricted practising licence, in good standing, from a dental hygiene regulator in another Canadian jurisdiction, we strongly recommend that you first initiate the verification of the registration process.** *This process involves completing and sending the CDHNS Verification of Registration Form to the regulator in the jurisdictions where you are currently or previously certified, licensed and/or registered. This will help streamline the application process, i.e., you may not be required to submit some documentation directly if we can confirm it is on file with another jurisdiction. (We will attempt to obtain these forms from that jurisdiction. These are shaded in orange.)*

Verification Forms: I have completed Part A of the [CDHNS Verification Form for Other Regulatory Bodies](#) and sent the form to each jurisdiction where I am currently (or was previously) certified, licensed, and/or registered as a dental hygienist. I have requested each jurisdiction to send the completed form directly to CDHNS. For consideration under Labour Mobility/Canadian Free Trade Agreement, we must receive evidence that you are currently registered in another Canadian jurisdiction. See the website for full details.

**I have uploaded the following supporting documents** (upload within the Application form) **Please note:** if you don't upload these with your first submission, you will have an opportunity to upload them later following our review.

- A photocopy of my birth certificate.
- Evidence of name change, if your current name differs from that on your birth certificate and/or transcript e.g., driver's licence, passport, marriage licence, or other government-issued ID.
- Proof of professional liability insurance (PLI) that meets the [requirements](#) (e.g., CDHA insurance or another liability insurance that meets the [requirements](#))
- A copy of my current permanent CPR certificate, at the level required by Council taken within the last 12 months (typically called BLS or HCP). The level of CPR certification must include, at a minimum, classroom instruction and practicum experience related to:
- one and two-person rescuer chest compressions for adults, children and infants;
  - one and two-person rescuer adult, child and infant bag-valve-mask technique and rescue breathing;
  - relief of choking in adults, children and infants; and
  - use of an automated external defibrillator (AED).
- Evidence that I have completed 45 hours of continuing dental hygiene education within the 3 years immediately before the date of my application (does not apply to applicants who graduated within the last 36 months). Enter this information within the application form. [Save list of CE credits to online file](#)
- Evidence that I have practiced 600 hours of dental hygiene in the 3 years immediately before the date of my application (does not apply to applicants who graduated within the last 36 months). If applicable, this must be in the form of a letter from the employer (on letterhead), CRA submission, e.g., ROE (Record of Employment).
- A passport-like picture (full facial profile) in a format appropriate for a regulator e.g., business casual clothing.
- Evidence of successful completion of the NS Jurisprudence course **OR** the NS Self-Initiation Course, [completed or practicing in NS, within the last 3 years](#). **We strongly recommend that you complete the NS Self-Initiation Course unless you are applying for an exemption for self-initiation.** (See below.) Both courses are offered through the [CDHA](#).

**If you are seeking authorization to perform permanent restorative, orthodontic, and/or local anaesthetic (LA) procedure:** I have had the following documents certified by either a Notary Public or Commissioner of Oaths and mailed them directly to the CDHNS (address above) **OR**, you may have originals sent directly to the CDHNS:

- Official transcript from an accredited DH undergrad program that included courses applicable to any of the specializations and/or
- Certificate of Completion of any applicable modules completed separately from your DH undergrad program.

**I require additional documentation:**

- My employment visa or permanent resident card under Canadian Immigration Act (non-Canadian citizens only)
- Copy of any English language proficiency tests completed (Only required if mother tongue is not English and/or the Dental Hygiene program was delivered in a language other than English)
- I am applying to have my self-directed clinical education or experience recognized (re: self-initiation). Therefore, I have:** submitted a completed letter of application re: Self-directed clinical practice applying for the equivalent under Regulation 8 (1) (h). *Please contact CDHNS to request the template for submission.*
- I am applying to have my local anaesthesia, orthodontics, and/or permanent restorative competencies recognized. Therefore, I have:** Completed the relevant online application form (links are within the general application), and provided any required documentation – *Note:* These procedures are not mandatory to obtain a practising licence in NS, but you cannot perform them unless you are authorized by the CDHNS.

I have paid the required fees by certified cheque, money order, e-transfer or credit card: (**Note**: Invoices will be generated for you. Further payment details are provided in the invoice.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	\$130.00 Application fee (separate) & non-refundable – must be sent before the application will be reviewed <b>Note</b> : As of April 12, 2023, for all new applications, this fee is waived for applicants if you (1) hold a <u>current unrestricted (full)</u> , practising licence in a Canadian jurisdiction, and (2) you are in good standing with that jurisdiction.
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$155.00 Registration fee (One-time fee) – Registration and Licensing fees will be invoiced later in the process <b>Note</b> : As of April 12, 2023, for all new applications, this fee is waived for applicants if you (1) hold a <u>current unrestricted (full)</u> , practising licence in a Canadian jurisdiction, and (2) you are in good standing with that jurisdiction.
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$560.00 CDHNS Practising Licence fee (Nov 1, 2024, to October 31, 2025)