PACIFIC · FIJI · OVERSEAS-QUALIFIED PHARMACIST ROUTE

FJ How to register as a pharmacist in Fiji

Pharmacists in Fiji are registered by the Fiji Pharmacy Profession Board under the Pharmacy Profession Act 2011. The Board sits within the Ministry of Health and Medical Services. Public, official detail on the overseas route is limited, so plan to confirm each step with the Board. Licence or registration: **Pharmacist registration and annual practising certificate**. Regulator: **Fiji Pharmacy Profession Board (Ministry of Health and Medical Services)**. Every fact was checked against official sources on **20 November 2026**.

RULES UNDER REVIEW Official online detail is thin: the Board has not published a step-by-step route, exam format or fee list for overseas-qualified pharmacists that we could open. The separate skilled-professionals registration route has reportedly been repealed, and a review of the Pharmacy Profession Act 2011 is underway. Ask the Board in writing for its current procedure before spending money.

Who decides what	
Fiji Pharmacy Profession Board	Registers pharmacists, checks qualifications, sets any assessment and issues practising certificates.
Ministry of Health and Medical Services	Houses the Board's secretariat and employs pharmacists in public health facilities.
Fiji Immigration Department	Decides work permits and entry. Separate from registration.
Employer	Decides hiring and provides the contract needed for a work permit.
Fiji Pharmaceutical Society	Professional body. It does not process registration applications.

Who can apply

- A pharmacy degree the Board accepts. No public list of recognised overseas qualifications was found.
- Overseas-trained pharmacists are expected to meet the same checks as locally trained pharmacists, including a competency assessment.
- Proof that you are registered and in good standing where you trained or practised. Confirm the exact wording the Board needs.
- The Board may require further training or supervised practice. No public rule on length was found.
- A separate work permit is needed to work in Fiji; registration does not provide one.

The steps, with approximate time and cost

1. **Ask the Board for its current procedure**
   Write to the Board secretariat. Ask which qualifications it accepts, what assessment applies to you, the fees and the documents it wants.
   Time: 2–6 weeks reply (est.)
2. **Prepare certified documents**
   Degree, transcript, home registration and good standing, police report and identity documents, certified as the Board directs.
   Time: 1–3 months (est.) · Cost: set by issuers
3. **Apply for registration**
   The Board checks your qualification and standing. No official processing time is published.
   Time: 2–6 months (est.) · Cost: ask the Board
4. **Sit the competency assessment**
   Overseas-trained pharmacists are reported to face a competency exam. Its format, location and fee are not published, so confirm them with the Board.
   Time: confirm with Board (est.) · Cost: ask the Board
5. **Supervised practice, if directed**
   The Board may ask for further training or supervised practice. No public rule on length was found.
   Time: confirm with Board (est.)
6. **Registration and practising certificate**
   Once registered, you also need a current practising certificate, renewed every year, to practise.
   Time: after approval (est.) · Cost: ask the Board

Typical total: About 6–18 months (est.)

Language requirements

- No official English test or minimum score for pharmacist registration was found online.
- Ask the Board whether it requires an English test such as IELTS or OET, and which scores it accepts.

Read this before you plan

- Registration ≠ work permit ≠ job. Board registration gives no right to enter or stay in Fiji, and it is not a job offer.
- The Long Term Work Permit needs a contract with a locally registered company and may need an endorsement letter from the relevant authority.
- Do not practise before registration and a current practising certificate. Nothing in this process is guaranteed.

Exams, costs and documents

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Exam pattern and mode: online, test centre or onsite

Board competency assessment

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- Format not published online
- Number of questions not published
- Pass rule not published
- Attempts and fee not published
- Ask the Board for written details

No official exam mode is published. Plan on sitting it in Fiji until the Board confirms otherwise. No online or Pakistan option has been announced.

Official fees	Amount
Board registration No current fee schedule could be opened online. Ask the Board secretariat.	**Not published**
Annual practising certificate Renewed yearly. Amount not verified online.	**Not published**
Competency assessment Reported in official-body statements; fee not published.	**Not published**
Long Term Work Permit Fiji Immigration, primary applicant, base fee	**FJD 650.05**
Work permit, each dependant Fiji Immigration, per dependant	**FJD 185.00**
Online payment surcharge Immi Hub: 2% by MPaisa, 2.5% by Visa or Mastercard	**2–2.5%**

FJD = Fiji dollar. Translations, certification, apostille, medicals, travel and living costs are extra.

Documents usually required

- Passport bio-data page, certified
- Pharmacy degree and full transcript, certified
- Home-country registration certificate
- Certificate of good standing
- National police report, certified or apostilled
- CV with work history
- Passport photographs
- Any further items the Board lists in writing

Expected time

- No official processing time is published for registration. Plan for several months from a complete application.
- Long Term Work Permits are lodged online through Immi Hub. Immigration says processing times vary and decisions are sent by email.
- Registration rules are under review in 2026, so timelines may change. Check with the Board before each stage.

Typical total: About 6–18 months (est.)

When the law gives the Board discretion

- We found no public, step-by-step procedure for overseas-qualified pharmacists. The Board decides how your qualification is assessed.
- Write to the Board secretariat and ask for the requirements, fees and assessment details in writing. Keep the reply.
- Public consultations in 2026 asked for a clearer overseas route. Check whether new regulations have been made before you apply.

Visas, pay and next steps

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Immigration route (separate from registration)	What official sources say	Status
Long Term Work Permit	For employment with a locally registered company. Valid 1 to 3 years. Needs a signed contract, certified qualifications, an apostilled police report, a medical report and an endorsement letter from the relevant authority if applicable. Lodged online through Immi Hub. Base fee FJD 650.05.	Open
Short Term Work Permit	Fiji Immigration offers a short-term work permit category. We did not verify whether it suits pharmacist roles. Confirm with Fiji Immigration.	Confirm
Skilled professionals registration	The Registration of Skilled Professionals Act was reported repealed in December 2025. Do not plan on this route. Confirm its status on official legislation pages.	Closed

If you are applying from Pakistan

- We found no official Fiji mission page that names the mission covering Pakistan.
- Fiji work permits are lodged online through the Immi Hub portal, according to Fiji Immigration.
- Fiji Immigration asks for a police report from each country where you lived 12 months or more, certified or apostilled.
- No official test centre or document attestation rule for Pakistan applicants was found. Ask the Board and Fiji Immigration.

Pay and funding

- No official salary figure for pharmacists was found on Fiji government pages during this check.
- Ministry of Health and Medical Services job advertisements may state pay for specific posts. Check each advertisement.

Avoid these common mistakes

- Sending money to anyone other than the Board or Fiji Immigration. Confirm every fee in writing first.
- Applying to the Fiji Pharmaceutical Society. It does not register pharmacists.
- Planning on the old skilled-professionals route, which has been reported repealed.
- Assuming registration brings a work permit or a job. They are separate decisions.
- Relying on old web pages while the Act and regulations are being reviewed.

How ASGHCA supports you

- International Career Mapping: consult, assess, roadmap, prepare
- Documentation and registration guidance
- English test preparation: IELTS, PTE and OET
- 1-on-1 mentorship, CV and interview support
- Webinars, CPD sessions and a lifetime community

ASGHCA offers education and guidance. Regulated immigration advice is referred to authorised professionals.

Official sources, all checked 20 November 2026: Pharmacy Profession Act 2011 and amending Acts 2015, 2017, 2020, 2022 (PacLII copies; parliament.gov.fj Bill No. 43 of 2022) · health.gov.fj (Ministry of Health and Medical Services, Board secretariat notice) · immigration.gov.fj Long Term Work Permit page · FBC News reports of 10 Dec 2025, 22 May 2026 and 8 Aug 2026 used only as leads.

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