

REGULATION RESPECTING THE PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES THAT MAY BE ENGAGED IN BY A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT IN THE CANADIAN FORCES

Medical Act

(R.S.Q., c. M-9, s. 3)

Professional Code

(R.S.Q., c. C-26, s. 94, par. *h*)

1. The purpose of this Regulation is to determine, amongst the professional activities that may be engaged in by physicians, those which, pursuant to the terms and conditions set out in the Regulation, may be engaged in by a Canadian Forces physician assistant during his or her training or within the framework of maintaining his or her competence.

O.C. 134-2008, s. 1.

2. In this Regulation, “physician assistant” means any member of the Canadian Forces who is registered in the “Physician assistant program - training plan” (CF MSS PA Program) of the Canadian Forces Medical Services School or has completed such a training program and whose designation as physician assistant has been recognized by the Canadian Forces.

O.C. 134-2008, s. 2.

3. The physician assistant engages in the professional activities described in sections 4, 5 and 6 in a centre operated in an institution within the meaning of the Act respecting health services and social services (R.S.Q., c. S-4.2) and affiliated with a university that issues a diploma in medicine.

O.C. 134-2008, s. 3.

4. The physician assistant, under the supervision of a physician or medical resident, may engage in the following professional activities:

- (1) participate in the assessment of a person's state of health;
- (2) perform a physical examination.

O.C. 134-2008, s. 4.

5. The physician assistant may, according to a prescription and in the presence of a physician, another qualified professional or a medical resident, engage in the following professional activities:

- (1) perform a venous puncture;
- (2) perform a radial arterial puncture;
- (3) perform intubation;
- (4) provide care and treatment for wounds and alterations of the skin;
- (5) make sutures of cutaneous and subcutaneous wounds;
- (6) apply plaster casts;

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- (7) insert a short peripheral intravenous catheter;
- (8) introduce an instrument beyond the pharynx;
- (9) introduce an instrument beyond the urinary meatus;
- (10) provide tracheostomy maintenance care;
- (11) remove a foreign body from beyond the nasal vestibule, the external auditory canal, the skin or the surface of the eye;
- (12) make an incision and drain a superficial abscess;
- (13) irrigate an external auditory canal;
- (14) apply nasal packing.

O.C. 134-2008, s. 5.

6. The physician assistant may, according to a prescription of a physician or a medical resident, engage in the following professional activities:

- (1) carry out complementary clinical acts and surgical techniques as part of a surgical procedure;
- (2) make an incision in or strip a vein;
- (3) perform a gynecological examination;
- (4) use a defibrillator.

O.C. 134-2008, s. 6.

7. *(Omitted).*

O.C. 134-2008, s. 7.

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