



Dear Pharmacist Intern,

SAPC e-Note: LOADSHEDDING DURING THE PRE-REGISTRATION EXAMINATION

The South African Pharmacy Council (SAPC) is aware that South Africa is currently facing loadshedding which may continue during the scheduled pre-registration examination on 10 and 11 November 2021.

Please note that the examination is going ahead as scheduled. Interns are however advised as follows:

- Check your loadshedding schedule before the examination and make alternative arrangements if necessary. For example, if you are writing the examination at your place of residence, are scheduled for loading and do not have an alternative plan, request from your place of employment if you may write the examination there provided they have a stable internet connection.
- Ensure that you have an alternative device(s) to use for the exam if needed. The examination website is mobile responsive; as such, you may use a cell phone or tablet.
- Ensure that all your available devices, e.g. laptop, tablet and/or cell phone, are fully charged before the examination commences.
- As far as possible have an alternative Wi-Fi connection – for example, use your cell phone as a mobile hotspot.
- The delivery of one-time passwords (OTPs) via SMS may be delayed due to network problems. OTPs will therefore be communicated to interns via SMS and email. This means that you will receive the same OTP on both SMS and email. Please check both your SMS and email for an OTP and **wait patiently** before attempting to request another OTP.
- Interns experiencing problems with connectivity due to loadshedding or for any other reason will not be given additional time.
- Additional time will only be given in the event there is a technical problem affecting all interns and this would be communicated to interns via the WhatsApp group.

We wish you the very best in the upcoming pre-registration examination.

Yours sincerely,

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