



Information for Applicants:

Those wishing to join the New Zealand Register of Acupuncturists Inc (NZRA) must hold a qualification that meets the NZRA's criteria. In addition to the primary qualification, all applicants must have completed a minimum of 500 hours of supervised clinical training. To become a member of the NZRA there are two categories:

1. Applicants holding a New Zealand Qualification
2. Applicants holding an Overseas Qualification

1. Applicants holding a New Zealand Qualification

This applies to holders of New Zealand Bachelor of Health Science (Acupuncture) or the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) National Diploma of Acupuncture (NDA) who have also completed a minimum of 500 hours of supervised clinical training.

Applicants are required to provide the following documentation.

- 1.1. NZRA Application Form;
- 1.2. Bachelor degree or National Diploma of Acupuncture; Original, or photocopies that have been certified by a Public Notary or Justice of the Peace.
- 1.3. NZQA Record of Learning; Original, or photocopies that have been certified by a Public Notary or Justice of the Peace. (NDA holders)
- 1.4. Graduation Certificate; Original, or photocopies that have been certified by a Public Notary or Justice of the Peace.
- 1.5. Academic Record from College showing hours of study and hours clinical practice. Original, or photocopies that have been certified by a Public Notary or Justice of the Peace.
- 1.6. Character References from two sources;
- 1.7. One passport sized photograph;
- 1.8. Application fee of **\$125-00** (including GST)

2. Applicants holding Overseas Qualifications

Those applicants with qualifications in Chinese Medicine awarded in countries other than New Zealand must provide evidence of completion of four years study of Acupuncture and Traditional Chinese Medicine. Applicants must have completed a minimum of 500 hours of supervised clinical training.

The following documents are required:

- 2.1 NZRA Application Form;
- 2.2 Graduation Certificates - Originals, including English translations where applicable, or photocopies that have been certified by a Public Notary or Justice of the Peace of both primary qualification and TCM studies.
- 2.3 Verification Letter - Sent directly to the Registrar from the Principal of the university or college where you studied, informing us of the satisfactory completion of the course. Testimony of academic record and duration of study must be included.
- 2.4 Academic Records showing hours of study and hours of clinical practice. Originals, including English translations where applicable, or photocopies that have been certified by a Public Notary or Justice of the Peace for both primary qualification and TCM studies must be provided.
- 2.5 Character References from two sources.
- 2.6 One passport sized photograph
- 2.7

<u>Application fee</u>	\$125-00 (All amounts include GST)
<u>Assessment Fee</u>	\$700-00
<u>Total</u>	\$825-00

(This does not include the annual membership fee of \$695-00 or payment for Indemnity Insurance.)

Assessment

Applicants with overseas qualifications must complete and pass an assessment as set out in the NZRA Assessment Information for Candidates.

Payment

Direct Credits are to be paid to the New Zealand Register of Acupuncturists Inc, Bank of New Zealand, 262 Queen Street, Auckland New Zealand.

Account Number: **02 0160 0249606 000**. Reference: your full name

Cheques should be made payable to the New Zealand Register of Acupuncturists Inc. Please write your full name and contact number on the back of the cheque.

Send the completed application to:-

The Registrar
 The New Zealand Register of Acupuncturists
 P O Box 14106
 Kilbirnie
 Wellington 6241

Applicants will be required to provide further information once their applications have been received and processed. The appropriate forms will be forwarded to you at that point.

The application fee is non-refundable. The Assessment fee for those with overseas qualifications is refunded only if you are not eligible to proceed with the application.

If you have any questions please contact the NZRA office on nzra@acupuncture.org.nz