



MALDIVES  
NURSING AND  
MIDWIFERY COUNCIL

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## **REGISTRATION AND LICENSING CRITERIA OF MALDIVES NURSING AND MIDWIFERY COUNCIL (MNMC)**

### **Registration and Practicing License**

MNMC will issue registration and practicing license as follows:

<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>QUALIFICATIONS</b>
RNM RN (Clinical Specialty/PhD area) (Previously Category A)	Registered Nurse Midwife OR Registered Nurse (Clinical Specialty/PhD area)	a. Diploma (or higher) in Nursing & Midwifery  b. Diploma (or higher) in Nursing AND PhD in Nursing/PhD in Nursing Specialty  OR  c. Diploma (or higher) in Nursing AND a qualification in any clinical nursing specialization program MNQF level 6 and higher
RN (Previously Category B)	Registered Nurse	Diploma in Nursing or a higher qualification in nursing (MNQF level 5 and higher)
ENM (Previously Category C)	Enrolled Nurse Midwife	Nurse Aide or Auxiliary Nurse Midwife or any additional midwifery training not less than 6 months
EN (Previously Category D)	Enrolled Nurse	Advanced Certificate in Nursing (MNQF level 4)

#### **Note:**

##### **1. Registration**

- Applicant should have completed a nursing program approved by MNMC.
- Applicant will receive permanent registration (if Maldivian) and temporary registration subject to renewal every 2 years (for expatriates).



## 2. **Initial Practicing License: RN, RNM/RN (Clinical Specialty)**

- If an applicant has completed a nursing program approved by MNMC within the past two (2) years, the applicant will be given a provisional practicing license until MNMC competency exam is cleared.
- If an applicant fails to apply for initial practicing license within 2 (two) years of completion of nursing program approved by MNMC, the applicant will be given a provisional practicing license and should follow re-entry to practice steps.

## 3. **Initial Practicing License: EN, ENM**

- If an applicant has completed a nursing program approved by MNMC within the past two (2) years, the applicant will be given practicing license.
- If an applicant fails to apply for initial practicing license within 2 (two) years of completion of nursing program approved by MNMC, the applicant will be given a provisional practicing license and should follow re-entry to practice steps.

## 4. **Renewal of Practicing License**

- Practicing license should be renewed every 3 years for Maldivians and 2 years for expatriates.
- If applicant is renewing practicing license after license has expired for more than three (3) years, the applicant will be given a provisional practicing license and should follow re-entry to practice steps.

## 5. **Re-entry to Practice**

To get a valid practicing license, applicant should:

- Have a provisional practicing license.
- Successfully pass the competency exam of MNMC (for RN & RNM).
- Complete a period of mandatory theory hours and supervised practice hours and during the provisional period and submit documentary evidence.

Years of absence from nursing practice	Duration of supervised practice*	Theory hours
2-5 years	2-5 months	10-20 hours
6-9 years	6-9 months	30-60 hours
>10 years	>10 months	>60 hours

- Successfully undergo a skill assessment by a MNMC registered examiner (to be arranged and paid by employer/by applicant).
- Complete the requirements for a valid practicing license during 12 months period. If an applicant is unsuccessful to do so, the applicant has to apply again.

\*Supervised practice is defined as practice supervised by a registered nurse.

Revised Registration and Practicing License criteria endorsed by MNMC on 15th November 2023

