

# **Disability Registration Form**

Student Name:	
Student Number:	
Law School E-mail/ Personal E-mail:	
Current Address:	
Mobile Telephone Number/ Land Line Telephone Number:	
Please provide details of the exam(s) you are applying to sit, i.e. exam subject(s) and date(s):	

### **Applicants:**

 All students who require adapted arrangements are required to complete and submit this form for any exam sitting they are undertaking. This enables the appropriate adapted arrangements to be put in place to support them in case their needs have changed from year to year.

# Disability<sup>1</sup>:

• This relates to any permanent illness, injury or condition.

#### Deadline:

 Completed application forms for Adapted Exam & Study Arrangements must be received six weeks before the commencement of examinations. Deadlines are necessary to ensure your needs may be appropriately met. Students who require Adapted Examination Arrangements due to a disability are invited to contact the appropriate staff member to discuss their requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A student is disabled in this context if he/she requires a facility which is outside of the mainstream provision of the Law School in order to participate fully in course/exams and without which the student would be educationally disadvantaged in comparison with their peers. Adapted from DAWN (Disability Advisors Working Network) Policy and Practice on Assessment and Examination Accommodations for Learners with Disabilities, June 2008.

Suppo	orting	Docu	umentation (p	lea	se see d	etail	s in Appei	ndix	1):		
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•	It is your responsibility to declare any condition that may require accommodation and to
	complete the requisite paperwork which will necessitate supporting documentation from a
	relevant medical health professional. This enables the appropriate arrangements to be put in
	place to support you. See Appendix 1 for details of examples of recognized professionals and
	acceptable supporting documentation for the purpose of verification of disabilities.

1. What is the nature of the disability?
2. Teaching and Learning Supports:  What supports do you require to benefit fully from lectures and tutorials? Please detail your needs
in respect of course materials, any modifications to teaching methods, learning supports (e.g. computer hardware/software, interpreters, note-takers etc.) mobility/other access issues:
3. Adapted Exam Arrangements:
Please tick the requirement(s) that would be most suitable for you:
<ul> <li>□ Additional time.</li> <li>□ Reader/ Scribe<sup>2</sup>.</li> </ul>
□ Recorded Exam.
<ul> <li>☐ Use of Assistive Technology or Software.</li> <li>☐ Notification of Disability to Examiner (please ensure you have provided details of the exam(s) you are applying to sit in the table on page 1³.</li> </ul>
□ Other (Please specify):

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If you will be availing of services of a Reader/ Scribe, a practice session is strongly recommended and can be arranged by special appointment if required by the candidate.

<sup>3</sup> It is **your responsibility** to provide this information which is required in order that your examiner(s) can be

notified of your disability.

#### Appendix 1

Documentation Required for Application of Adapted Study & Exam Arrangements

(Registered Disability)

(Negligiered Disability)					
Condition:	Supporting documentation from:				
Blind / Vision Impaired	Ophthalmologist				
Deaf / Hard of Hearing	Audiologist, ENT Consultant				
Physical / Mobility Disability	Orthopaedic Consultant, Neurologist (consultant), other Consultant specific to condition				
Medical Condition	Relevant consultant in area of condition				
Dyslexia / Specific Learning Disability (SLD)	Adult Educational Psychologist (Full adult assessment report required)				
ADD / ADHD & Asperger's Syndrome	Clinical Psychologist /Psychiatrist				
Head/Traumatic Brain Injury	Consultant Physician, Neurologist, Neuropsychologist				

Condition:	Supporting documentation from <sup>4</sup> :
Mental Health Condition	<ul> <li>Psychiatrist (report) – Where additional time is being sought</li> <li>GP/Psychologist/Psychotherapist – where alternate exam venue only is being sought</li> </ul>

Source: Adapted from DAWN Policy & Practice on Assessment and Examination Accommodations for Learners with Disabilities, June 2008.

#### Please note:

 A GP medical certificate will not be accepted as suitable medical evidence for candidates with a permanent disability (except for applications for an alternate exam venue only in the case of a mental health condition as detailed above).

- All certificates must be current and should confirm:
  - Exact nature of the disability,
  - Impact of the disability on a student's ability to participate in study and to undertake examinations,
  - Confirmation that the adaptations (which should be named) being applied for are medically necessary.
- All relevant certificates should be attached to the application form.

<sup>4</sup> This may be reviewed in exceptional circumstances.

#### Further information is available from:

- Professional Practice Courses (PPC I & II) Emma Cooper, Student Development Service Advisor (studentadvisor@lawsociety.ie / 01-6724802).
- FE-1 Examinations Paula Sheedy, Education Officer (p.sheedy@lawsociety.ie / 01-6724802).

## Completed form(s) should be returned to:

- Professional Practice Courses (PPC I & II) Student Development Service, Law School, Law Society of Ireland, Blackhall Place, Dublin 7.
- FE-1 Examinations Paula Sheedy, Education Officer, Law School, Law Society of Ireland, Blackhall Place, Dublin 7.