

## Certification Pedorthists

The Certified Pedorthist program was developed by the Pedorthic Association of Australia, to provide a mechanism to demonstrate the professional competency of the members within the pedorthic industry and to ensure that the medical profession in Australia can recommend providers of footwear to patients when problems arise.

The program assesses an applicant's training, experience and competency to pedorthic footwear at three categories. They are

1. Certified Retail Pedorthists - the assessment and sale of footwear when medical conditions need to be considered.
2. Certified Pedorthist - the assessment of footwear and/or orthoses requirements, identifying and making modifications as appropriate
3. Certified Pedorthist Custom Maker - the assessment of footwear requirements and the custom manufacture from base materials to cater for serious mobility problems.

All three categories of the Certified Pedorthist may offer advice and service as appropriate to the client.



The Certified Pedorthist program is offered by Pedorthic Register in conjunction with the Pedorthic Association of Australia.

Also available:

- Criteria for Certified Pedorthist
- Application for Certified Pedorthists

*Benefits of certification includes recognition for specialist training and skills and a process for ensuring industry maintains credibility with patients and the medical profession. Registered practitioners will also be listed on an Internet site to assist others in finding qualified people.*

The cost of attending the presentation and convening the examination panel is to be met by the applicant.

Where possible PAA and Pedorthic Register will schedule opportunities for case presentations in conjunction with other PAA meetings and multiple case presentations to significantly reduce costs. Applicants will be advised of the cost of convening the panel prior to the meeting.

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A Certification Program  
Developed by Pedorthic  
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## Register of Certified Pedorthists



Guidance for the case presentation  
component of the Certification of  
Pedorthic Practitioners.

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## The Case Presentation



A key component of the Certified Pedorthic Practitioner program is the Case Presentation. This requires the applicant to demonstrate the skills

necessary to diagnose and provide medical grade footwear.

A case presentation is required for all three categories of the certification program but the standard of the presentation and the content will be appropriate to the category.

Therefore a candidate applying for certification at the Retail category will only be expected to provide detail and skills that are detailed in the certification criteria for the retail level. Likewise for the modification and custom made levels.

This short brochure has been prepared to provide some guidance to the requirements of the case presentation.

The case presentation must be attended by the applicant and will be judged by a panel of at least three independent examiners. The examiners will represent the medical profession, a Pedorthist and the registration body.

The case should be representative of the type of customer usually attended by the applicant but involve the necessary decisions and application of competency required for the level of registration applied for.

The case presentation also provides an opportunity for the panel to confirm the overall competency of the applicant

### Custom Made Footwear

The case presentation material for custom made footwear should include:

The client file including:

- Self-declaration form
- Applicants assessment of the problems
- Pedograph and measurements taken
- Evidence of the references used in assessing the condition

The following process components should also be available.

- Profile drawing showing sagittal and frontal plant foot, lower leg and a description of the MGF treatment provided
- Cast impressions, Last and patterns
- Complete and finished custom footwear

### Modification of Medical Grade Footwear

The case presentation material for modification of medical grade footwear should include:

The client file including:

- Self-declaration form
- Applicants assessment of the problems
- Footprint and measurements taken

Complete and finished modified MGF

### Retail of prefabricated pedorthic products

The case presentation material for retail service of pedorthic footwear should include:

The client file including:

- Applicants assessment of the problems
- Records of assessment, including forms and pedograph
- Details of the product provided

**All identification details of the client such as name and address may be removed to maintain privacy of the patient.**

### Presentation

During the case presentation the examiners will expect.:

- Paperwork and footwear to be consistent and appropriate to show the decision making process by the applicant.
- An oral presentation to the panel and explanation of the details and understanding appropriate to the category applied for.

The panel will examine the case and ask questions.

### Important note

*Questions may be asked about details in the application form to confirm that the applicant is competent at the level being requested. This may include details of training results, work and industry experience and consideration of ongoing professional development.*



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