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I, HEATHER HUMPHREYS, Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 14, 29 and 30 (as amended by sections 17, 29 and 30 of the Employment Permits (Amendment) Act 2014 (No. 26 of 2014)) of the Employment Permits Act 2006 (No. 16 of 2006) (as adapted by the Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2017 (S.I. No. 364 of 2017), hereby make the following regulations:

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Employment Permits (Amendment) Regulations 2020.

(2) The Principal Regulations, the Employment Permits (Amendment) Regulations 2018 (S.I. No. 70 of 2018), the Regulations of 2018, the Employment Permits (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2018 (S.I. No. 318 of 2018), the Employment Permits (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2018 (S.I. No. 550 of 2018), the Regulations of 2019, the Employment Permits (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2019 (S.I. No. 333 of 2019), the Regulations (No. 3) of 2019 and these Regulations may be cited together as the Employment Permits Regulations 2017 to 2020.

2. In these Regulations—

"Principal Regulations" means the Employment Permits Regulations 2017 (S.I No. 95 of 2017);

"Regulations of 2019" means the Employment Permits (Amendment) Regulations 2019 (S.I. No. 138 of 2019);

"Regulations (No. 3) of 2019" means the Employment Permits (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2019 (S.I. No. 633 of 2019).

3. Regulation 4 (as amended by Regulation 4 of the Regulations of 2019) of the Principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (2).

4. Regulation 6 (as amended by Regulation 5 of the Regulations of 2019) of the Principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (2).

Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in "Iris Oifigiúil" of 5th May, 2020. 5. Regulation 20 (as amended by Regulation 5 of the Regulations (No. 3) of 2019) of the Principal Regulations is amended by substituting for paragraph (2) the following:

"(2) In the case of a Critical Skills Employment Permit for an employment for which the minimum annual remuneration is  $\in$  32,000, the qualification required in respect of that employment is—

- (*a*) in the case of a nurse or midwife, a third level degree or diploma accepted by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland as a sufficient qualification for registration to practice as a nurse or midwife in the State,
- (b) in the case of a radiographer, a third level degree or diploma accepted by the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU as a sufficient qualification for registration to practice as a radiographer in the State, or
- (c) in any other case, a third level degree relevant to the employment concerned.".



GIVEN under my Official Seal, 1 May 2020.

### HEATHER HUMPHREYS

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Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

# (This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

These Regulations amend the Employment Permits Regulations 2017 to provide for the following:

- to remove the requirement for the signed signature page to be submitted in hard copy for trusted partner registration applications;
- to remove the requirement for the signed signature page to be submitted in hard copy in trusted partner registration renewal applications;
- to facilitate eligibility for Critical Skills Employment Permits in respect of qualified radiographers registered with the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU;

These Regulations may be cited as the Employment Permits (Amendment) Regulations 2020.

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