REGULATIONS OF USE

Regulations governing the use of the "EBTA" Certification Mark shown above as applied for by the European Bobath Tutors Association.

1. NAME OF THE APPLICANT

European Bobath Tutors Association
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2. DECLARATION

I hereby declare that I do not carry on a business involving the supply of services of the kind certified.

The European Bobath Tutors Association declares to comply with the requirements laid down in Article 83(2) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June of 2017 on the European Union trade mark'.

3. REPRESENTATION OF THE CERTIFICATION MARK

4. SERVICES COVERED BY THE CERTIFICATION MARK

Class 41
Provision of medical instruction courses; teaching services relating to the medical field; providing training in the field of health care relating to Bobath therapy; training services in relation to physical therapy, speech therapy and occupational therapy; providing training in the field of health care services for treating patients with cerebral palsy and allied neurological conditions; providing training in the field of health care services for treating patients with neurological conditions; training services relating to orthopaedic medicine; providing training in the field of health care services relating to neurophysiology, neuro anatomy and neuropathology.

5. THE CHARACTERISTICS TO BE CERTIFIED

The characters to be certified are the courses for Bobath therapist, as well as the qualification to become a Bobath therapist and a Bobath tutor**.** The certification ensures the qualities of the courses for Bobath therapy, including the qualification of the Bobath-therapists themselves as well as the qualification of the tutors teaching the courses.

The certification will be mentioned on the certificate of the course. The qualification can be given in relation to three specific subcategories.

Certified courses
The first subcategory is the certification that the requirements for the courses have been fulfilled. The courses eligible for certification are the basic Bobath paediatric courses, refresher courses, advanced courses, baby courses and early intervention courses.

Basic Bobath Paediatric Courses
The mandatory duration of the course is 240 hours of 60 minutes. The course has a maximum of 24 participants. The Teaching Team should consist of a physiotherapy tutor (PT), occupational therapy tutor (OT), speech and language therapy tutor (SLT) and a medical doctor. At least one of the above tutors should be a Senior Bobath tutor.

Refresher Courses
The mandatory duration of the course has a minimum of 5 days (35 hours). The course has a maximum of 24 Bobath trained participants. The course is led by a tutor who has led at least two basic bobath courses. The course should include 50% practicals with children, with demonstrations on all CP classifications of children, one tutor for 12 participants. This can include all different types/ages of CP children. The theoretical component of the course should focus on new advances in treatment and neurophysiology, plus reviewing the general basic course content.

Advanced Courses
The mandatory duration of the course has a minimum of 5 days (35 hours). The course has a maximum of 24 Bobath trained participants and there should be 6 participants per tutor. The course is led by a senior tutor. The theme and content of the course should be a specific treatment point, grouping or age of client e.g. multiple disability, adults, babies, orthopaedic problems, feeding, etc. At least a third of the duration of the course should include clinical practice with clients. The clients for practical sessions should be chosen according to the theme of the course.

Baby Courses
The mandatory duration of the course is 75 hours (each hour is 60 minutes). The course has a maximum of 24 Bobath trained participants. The participants can be physiotherapy tutors (PT), occupational therapy tutors (OT), speech and language therapy tutors (SLT) and/or medical doctors. The medical doctors do not have to be Bobath trained. The course leader has to be a physiotherapy tutor, who also qualifies as a Senior Tutor, with experience of baby treatment. The Teaching Team should consist of a medical doctor, a specialist in development, physiotherapy tutors (PT), occupational therapy tutors (OT), speech and language therapy tutors (SLT). The Practical Sessions should consist of supervision. The supervision should be a minimum of one tutor/assistant per 6 participants, experienced working with babies.

Early Intervention Courses
The mandatory duration of the course is 40 hours (each hour is 60 minutes). The course has a maximum of 24 Bobath trained participants. The participants can be physiotherapy tutors (PT), occupational therapy tutors (OT), speech and language therapy tutors (SLT) and/or medical doctors. The medical doctors do not have to be Bobath trained. The course leader has to be a physiotherapy tutors, who also qualifies as a Senior Tutor, with experience of baby treatment. The Teaching Team should consist of a medical doctor, a specialist in development, physiotherapy tutors (PT), occupational therapy tutors (OT), speech and language therapy tutors (SLT). The Practical Sessions should consist of supervision. The supervision should be a minimum of one tutor/assistant per 6 participants, experienced working with babies. The age and type of presentation of babies should be between 0 and 18 months of age.

Annex 1 includes a more specific description of the requirements for all mentioned courses. Furthermore, the courses have to be constructed in accordance with the Core Curriculum (annex 3).

Certification of Bobath tutors
The second subcategory is the certification that the requirements for becoming a Bobath tutor have been fulfilled. To qualify as a Bobath tutor, a person must be a qualified Physiotherapist, Occupational Therapist or Speech and Language Therapist. A tutor must successfully complete (a first) Basic Bobath Paediatric Course. After the first course, a tutor must work clinically for a minimum of two years. This has to include at least 180 hours practical experience per year working with an interdisciplinary team treating children who have CP and other neurological conditions. If the first Basic Bobath Paediatric Course was taken more than 5 years ago, than a refresher course/advanced course within the two years prior to commencing their tutor training must be attended. The tutor must successfully complete a Foundation Bobath Paediatric Tutor Course (second course) with a different senior tutor. A written recommendation to commence tutor training should be received from The National Tutors Organization (NTO) that he/she wishes to join. This indicates that the trainee tutor will be “supported” by the NTO during their training process. The recommendation can also be received from the senior tutor who thought on their Basic Bobath Paediatric Tutor Course (second course), if there is no existing NTO within the trainee tutor’s own country. This Senior Tutor will be responsible for the trainee during their tutor training. The candidate has to have successfully completed an internship and be provided with written recommendation from the NTO/responsible Senior Tutor to become a tutor.

Annex 2.1 includes a more specific description of the requirements to become a Bobath tutor.

Certification of Senior Bobath tutors
The third subcategory is the certification that the requirements for the courses have been fulfilled.
A Senior Bobath Tutor must be a qualified Bobath Tutor. A tutor must have taught and/or led a minimum of five basic courses over a minimum of five years. A CV and recommendation by the NTO can be submitted to the Executive Committee. The tutor should be recommended by their NTO or two Senior Tutors. The tutor must have participated in international workshops held under the auspices of EBTA. The tutor must demonstrate active participation in national and/or international Bobath-NDT Association and have ongoing experience treating. The tutor should be willing and have had the opportunity to be involved in the training of other tutors. SLTs and OTs who have led a minimum of five of their full modules, can be considered for selection as Senior Bobath Tutor. Annex 2.2 includes a more specific description of the requirements to become a Senior Bobath tutor.

6. THE CONDITIONS BEING AWARDED TO USE THE CERTIFICATION MARK AND TO USE THE CERTIFICATION MARK.

The EBTA certification mark is awarded to all parties involved in paragraph 5 upon fulfilment of the conditions in annexes 1, 2.1 or 2.2. Fulfilment of the conditions is sufficient to maintain the right to use the EBTA certification mark and no additional requirements have to be met on a yearly basis.

A personal fee is charged for each certificate issued, including a national fee per country (NTO) that uses the EBTA certification mark.

Any person meeting the required standard of the characteristics being certified (paragraph 5 above) and make the necessary payment stated above is authorised to use the EBTA certification mark. The EBTA certification mark can be used for qualified Bobath courses when the course meets the required standard of the characteristics being certified (paragraph 5 above) and make the necessary payment stated above.

The EBTA certification mark has to be used on the certificates of the tutor courses as well as the certificates that are provided after successfully completing a certified course. The EBTA certification mark will always be used in the colours as indicated in these Regulations.

7. SANCTIONS

Improper use may result in a financial penalty and the person also loses the right to be recognized as a Bobath tutor. The right to use the EBTA certification mark can be withdrawn if a qualified course or qualified (senior) tutor does no longer meet the requirements as set out in the Annexes. If a qualified Bobath course no longer meets the requirements as set out in the Annexes and/or deviates from the Core Curriculum, the right to use the EBTA certification mark can be withdrawn.

Improper use may occur when the EBTA certification mark is not used in accordance with these Regulations. It may occur when a course is not given in accordance with the described way of teaching according to the Core Curriculum (annex 3).

In the event the EBTA certification mark is used improper and if no further solution can be found, the person could risk a financial penalty of €10.000.

8. HOW THE CERTIFYING BODY IS TO TEST THOSE CHARACTERISTICS AND TO SUPERVISE THE USE OF THE CERTIFICATION MARK.

All data must be registered in a database, in which it must be checked that the entire process has been carried out according to minimum standards as set out in the Annexes. Further investigations will be conducted via questionnaire, online meetings and biennial meetings of the association.

The programs of the courses can also be requested. For the certification of the tutors and the senior tutors, in addition to following a specified curriculum (annex 3), the permission of two different senior tutors and the recommendation of the National Teaching Organisation (NTO) is also required.

During the multiple online meetings of the Executive Committee, they will monitor and supervise if the requirements of the certification are met by the relevant parties. Additional monitoring will take place during two annual meetings. The Executive Committee consists of a chair, vicechair, secretary, general member and a treasurer. The members of the Executive Committee stay in this committee for a term of two years, after which they can be re-elected, the maximum term of office is 4 years, apart from the treasurer. The treasurer can stay in the committee with no-time limit providing he is re-elected every two years.

Any doubt of the correct use of the certified requirements will lead to the obligation of the relevant person to provide documents to prove the requirements for certification are met. These documents have to be sufficient to exclude any doubt that the requirements for certification have been fulfilled.

In case national and/or internal conflicts regarding the certification of a tutor or senior tutor arise, the relevant person can revert to the Executive Committee to investigate the matter. When a complaint is filed, the EBTA Grievance Committee will prepare a file and handle the matter. The Executive Committee will take the final decision. This decision can also be taken by the General Meeting in the biennial meetings. The General Meeting consist of all EBTA members with voting rights.

The EBTA has a special delegation that takes care of all disputes regarding the EBTA certification mark. They are called the EBTA Grievance committee, it consists of three members. All three members have to be experienced EBTA Senior Bobath tutors, they have to report their advice to the Executive Committee after consulting and gathering information. The Executive Committee will

take the final decision. This decision can also be taken by the General Meeting in the biennially meetings. The General Meeting consist of all EBTA members with voting rights.

When the conflict cannot be solved, the member as well as the EBTA can revert to court or mediation, which will be assessed on a case-by-case basis. All disputes shall be adjudicated by the competent court in Maastricht, The Netherlands.