Since the beginning of April, Schottlander, along with the DLA and GDC, has been holding a number of drop-in registration days throughout the country. At these events, entire laboratories or individual technicians are able to drop in and register before the July 30 deadline. After that date it will not be possible to work as a dental technician unless registered with the GDC, and anyone not registered will have to close their business.

At the drop-in events expert advisors are on hand to help complete the registration documents, to check that all paperwork is in order, and to assist in submitting the applications. Since Schottlander, the DLA and the GDC started promoting these events to help raise awareness of the impending deadline, over 1,000 more dental technicians have registered.

Future drop-in days include June 27 in Hertfordshire (drop in any time between 4pm – 7pm), July 3 in Cardiff, July 9 in Glasgow and July 10 in Edinburgh. Although it is not imperative to book a slot to register, it would be helpful to let us know if you will be coming so that we can ensure we have enough staff covering the event. All you have to do is call Schottlander on 0800 970 0079 and tell us which event you will be attending.

Schottlander’s deputy UK sales manager, Carolyn Ansell, said today: ‘With the new regulations coming in, it is vitally important for all dental technicians to register in good time.’

The GDC estimates that there are up to 8,000 dental technicians in the UK. To date, just 4,745 have completed their registration.