

**1967 No. 395**

**VETERINARY SURGEONS**

**The Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners  
(Registration Regulations) Order of Council 1967**

*Made - - - - 15th March 1967*

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 15th day of March 1967

By the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council

Whereas in pursuance of section 11 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966(a) the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons have made regulations entitled "The Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners Registration Regulations 1967":

And whereas by section 25(1) of the said Act such regulations shall not have effect unless approved by Order of the Privy Council:

Now, therefore, Their Lordships, having taken the said regulations into consideration, are hereby pleased to approve the same as set out in the Schedule to this Order.

This Order may be cited as the Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners (Registration Regulations) Order of Council 1967.

*W. G. Agnew.*

**SCHEDULE**

**THE VETERINARY SURGEONS AND VETERINARY PRACTITIONERS  
REGISTRATION REGULATIONS 1967**

The Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, in exercise of their powers under section 11 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966, hereby make the following Regulations:—

**PART I**

**INTERPRETATION**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners Registration Regulations 1967.

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:

"the Act" means the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966;

"appropriate form" means an application form issued by the Council for the type of application in question and a requirement that an application shall be made on the appropriate form shall imply that the Council are entitled to require the completion of the form;

"financial year" means the financial year of the College running from the 1st day of April to the 31st day of March;

“general list”, “Commonwealth list”, “foreign list” and “temporary list” have the meanings assigned to them in section 2 of the Act;

“registrable address” means the address given by the applicant in the appropriate form or, where the address has been changed, as subsequently notified to the registrar;

“registrable qualification” means a qualification entitling a person to be registered in the register under sections 3, 4 or 6 of the Act;

“registrar” means the registrar of the College;

“veterinary practitioner” means a person registered in the supplementary veterinary register;

“veterinary surgeon” means a person registered in the register.

3. The Interpretation Act 1889(a) shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

## PART II

### THE REGISTERS AND LISTS

4.—(1) The general list, the Commonwealth list, and the foreign list shall contain the following particulars of each person registered therein—

- (a) full name and any change of name since registration;
- (b) registrable address and, where available, telephone number;
- (c) registrable qualification, name of college or university at which the qualification was obtained and date of admission to the register;
- (d) other qualifications which the Council have authorised to be inserted in the register and which the applicant has requested shall be inserted.

(2) The temporary list shall contain the following particulars of each person registered therein—

- (a) full name and any change of name since registration;
- (b) registrable address in the United Kingdom and, where available, telephone number;
- (c) qualification for temporary registration and date acquired (in the case of an applicant under section 7(1)(a) or section 7(4) of the Act the date of publication of the result of the examination leading to the degree or other qualification in veterinary surgery; in the case of an applicant under section 7(1)(b) of the Act the date of conferment of the degree or other qualification);
- (d) other qualifications which the Council have authorised to be inserted in the register and which the applicant has requested shall be inserted;
- (e) period of registration;
- (f) place or places at which veterinary surgery may be practised;
- (g) other conditions or restrictions relating to the practising of veterinary surgery.

(3) The supplementary veterinary register shall contain the following particulars of each person registered therein—

- (a) the full name and any change of name since registration;
- (b) registrable address and, where available, telephone number;
- (c) date of admission to the register;
- (d) in the case of a person registered in terms of subsections 1(c) and (2) of section 8 of the Act, the particulars required to be entered in the supplementary veterinary register in terms of section 8(3) of the Act; and
- (e) registered index number.

5. The registrar shall have authority to refuse to make in or restore to the register any entry until the fees prescribed by these Regulations have been paid.

**PART III****APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION**

6. An application to the Council for the inclusion of a name in the register shall be made on the appropriate form. An applicant for registration in the register or the supplementary veterinary register shall produce or send to the registrar the document conferring or evidencing his qualification for registration and such other supporting evidence as the Council may require in a particular case to establish whether the applicant is entitled to be registered or not. An application for entry in the supplementary veterinary register under subsections 1(c) and (2) of section 8 of the Act shall be made within six months of the commencement of the Act.

**PART IV****TRANSFER FROM ONE LIST TO ANOTHER**

7. An application for the transfer of a name from one list to another shall be made on the appropriate form. In the case of an application for transfer to the general, Commonwealth or foreign lists the applicant shall produce or send to the registrar the document conferring or evidencing his qualification for registration in such list and such other supporting evidence as the Council may require in a particular case. Where the Council are satisfied that the applicant is entitled to the transfer they shall direct the registrar to delete the name of the applicant from one register or list, as the case may be, and enter it in the other.

**PART V****RETENTION OF A NAME AND REMOVAL FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FEES**

8. Not later than the 14th day of March in each year the registrar shall send to the registrable address of every registered veterinary surgeon and veterinary practitioner whose registration will expire on the 31st day of March in the same year, and who has not at that date paid the retention fee, the appropriate form of application for the retention of a name in the register with a notice of the fees payable and a warning that failure to pay such fees entails removal from the register or supplementary veterinary register, as the case may be, of that person's name. The failure by a registered veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner to receive a form or notice shall not constitute a ground for retention or restoration of a name.

9. Where the registrar shall not have received by the 1st day of June of any year, from a veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner resident in the United Kingdom, a retention fee due on the preceding 31st day of March, he shall send a warning that failure to pay the fee will result in the removal from the register or supplementary veterinary register of the name in relation to which the fee is due and, if the fee is not received within one month of the issue of the warning, he shall remove the name from the register or the supplementary veterinary register. Where in the case of a veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner resident outside the United Kingdom the fee has not been paid within three months after the issue of the warning letter, the Council shall decide what further action, if any, shall be taken before that name shall be removed.

**PART VI****CHANGES IN PARTICULARS NOTIFIED TO THE COUNCIL**

10. A registered veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner shall notify the registrar within one month of any of the following changes bearing on the particulars entered in the register or the supplementary veterinary register—

- (a) change of name ;
- (b) change of registrable address.

**PART VII****ALTERATION OR REMOVAL OF AN ENTRY**

11. When the registrar receives information that an entry in the register or the supplementary veterinary register is incorrect, or application is made by or on behalf of a registered veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner for an entry

to be altered, he shall make the required correction or alteration, if he is satisfied by means of a statutory declaration or otherwise that the information is true or the ground of the application is sufficient. No charge shall be made for a correction or alteration under this Regulation.

12. The registrar may remove from the register or the supplementary veterinary register the name of any registered veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner upon receipt of a written application by such surgeon or practitioner or on his behalf stating the grounds on which the application is made and accompanied by a statutory declaration that the applicant is not aware of any reason for the institution of proceedings which may lead to the removal of the name under section 16 of the Act.

13. The registrar shall subject to the provisions of section 16(2) and 17(3) of the Act, remove from the register or the supplementary veterinary register, or suspend the registration of, the name of any registered veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner in respect of which he shall receive a direction to that effect from the Disciplinary Committee under section 16 of the Act.

### PART VIII

#### RESTORATION OF A NAME TO THE REGISTER OR SUPPLEMENTARY VETERINARY REGISTER

14. Where a name has been removed from the register or the supplementary veterinary register under the provisions of Regulation 9 of these Regulations it shall be restored if, within a period of two months from the removal of his name, the veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner concerned shall pay the retention fee due from him together with the fee prescribed by Regulation 22 of these Regulations.

15. Where a name has been removed from the register or the supplementary veterinary register under the provisions of section 13 of the Act, the Council may restore it on receipt of an application on the appropriate form accompanied by—

- (a) the fee prescribed by Regulation 22 of these Regulations and the retention fee due under Regulation 20 for the financial year in which the application is made ; and
- (b) evidence establishing to the satisfaction of the Council the applicant's identity and good character in cases where the name of the applicant has not been included in the register or the supplementary veterinary register during any of the five years immediately preceding the date of application.

### PART IX

#### FEES PAYABLE BY VETERINARY SURGEONS AND VETERINARY PRACTITIONERS

16. The fee for the entry of a name in the general list, Commonwealth list or foreign list and for the retention of the name in any of the foresaid lists for the period specified under Regulation 17(b) of these Regulations shall be called the registration fee. This fee shall be paid at the time of the application for registration and shall be 6 guineas for names entered on the register before 31st March 1967 and 12 guineas for names entered on the register on 31st March 1967 and thereafter.

17. The registration fee shall—

- (a) cover the insertion in the general list, Commonwealth list or foreign list of the particulars required under Regulation 4(1) of these Regulations ; and
- (b) shall entitle a veterinary surgeon whose name is entered on the general list, Commonwealth list or foreign list to the retention of his name in such list until the end of the financial year next following that in which the entry was made.

18. No fee shall be charged for the entry of a name in the supplementary veterinary register and the particulars required under Regulation 4(3) of these Regulations to be entered in the supplementary veterinary register shall be entered free of charge.

19. A fee, which shall be called the retention fee, shall also be charged—

- (a) to a veterinary surgeon for the retention of his name in the general list, Commonwealth list or foreign list for each financial year beyond the period covered by the registration fee ;
- (b) to a veterinary practitioner for the retention of his name in the supplementary veterinary register for each financial year following that in which his name is first entered in the supplementary veterinary register.

20. Subject to the provisions of Regulation 24 of these Regulations, the retention fee for the retention of a name in the general list, Commonwealth list or foreign list, or in the supplementary veterinary register, shall be as follows, and shall be payable before the beginning of the financial year to which it relates—

	£	s.	d.
(a) In the case of a veterinary surgeon who practises in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man ... ..	10	0	0
(b) In the case of a veterinary surgeon who practises only in a place outside the territories specified in the last preceding paragraph ... ..	2	2	0
(c) In the case of a veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner who declares in writing to the registrar that he has retired and is not in practice ... ..	1	1	0
(d) In the case of a person registered in the supplementary veterinary register by virtue of section 6 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1948 ... ..	2	2	0
(e) In the case of a person registered in the supplementary veterinary register by virtue of section 8 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 ... ..	1	1	0

Provided that the Council may, in the case of a veterinary surgeon who is a member of the College and is taking a post-graduate course in a veterinary or allied subject, and on the application of such veterinary surgeon, remit such portion of the retention fee in any one year as may to the Council appear just.

21. Subject to the provisions of Regulation 24 of these Regulations a veterinary surgeon who has paid the prescribed retention fee for practising outside the territories referred to in Regulation 20(a) but who practises within those territories shall pay to the Council the prescribed retention fee in respect of such practice on the next following date on which it falls due.

22. The fee for restoration of a name to the general list, Commonwealth list or foreign list shall be 2 guineas or, to the supplementary veterinary register, one guinea and shall be additional to the retention fee for any year during which the name is included in any such list or register.

## PART X

### TEMPORARY REGISTRATION

23. The registration fee for entry in the temporary list shall be—

- (a) in the case of a person registered under section 7(1)(a) of the Act the fee shall be the registration fee prescribed for registration in the general list under Regulation 16 of these Regulations and such fee shall entitle him to registration in the general list if he so qualifies, without payment of a further registration fee ;
- (b) in the case of a person registered under section 7(1)(b) of the Act, 12 guineas. The fee shall entitle him to the retention of his name in the temporary list for the period of his registration or one year whichever is the less. The Council shall then determine what further fee, if any, shall be payable by him, but such further fee shall not in any case exceed 12 guineas in respect of any period of one year or less.

## PART XI

## PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

24.—(i) A veterinary surgeon who practises solely within the Republic of Ireland shall pay no retention fee to the Council.

(ii) A veterinary surgeon who practises within both the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland shall pay no retention fee to the Council if his registrable address is in the Republic of Ireland.

(iii) Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (ii) and (v) of this Regulation a veterinary surgeon who, having paid his annual fee to the Veterinary Council in the Republic of Ireland, practises anywhere outside the Republic of Ireland shall pay to the Council the prescribed retention fee on the next following date on which it would fall due if he continued to practise anywhere outside the Republic of Ireland.

(iv) Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (ii) and (v) of this Regulation a veterinary surgeon who, having paid his retention fee to the Council, practises within the Republic of Ireland shall not be required to pay a retention fee to the Council on the next following date on which it falls due.

(v) A veterinary surgeon whose registrable address is in the Republic of Ireland shall not be required to pay a retention fee to the Council for short professional visits to any place outside the Republic of Ireland provided such visits do not exceed a total of fourteen days in any one year beginning on the 1st day of April and no single visit exceeds seven days.

PURSUANT to a resolution passed at a Meeting of the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons on the 23rd day of January 1967, the Common Seal of the said Royal College was affixed hereto on the said 23rd day of January 1967 in the presence of:



A. J. WRIGHT,

*President.*

J. B. WHITE,

J. N. RITCHIE,

*Members of Council.*

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

The Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 provides for the keeping of registers of veterinary surgeons and veterinary practitioners. The regulations approved by this Order include provisions as to the form of these registers, the procedure for the entry, removal or restoration of names and the various fees payable in respect of registration and retention in the registers.