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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2023 No. 242**

**VETERINARY SURGEONS**

**The Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners  
(Registration) (Amendment) Regulations Order of Council 2023**

*Made* - - - - *1st March 2023*

*Coming into force* - - *1st April 2023*

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 1st day of March 2023

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

The Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons has made the Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners (Registration) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (“the Regulations”) in exercise of powers conferred by section 11 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966(1) (“the Act”).

By virtue of section 25(1) of the Act, the Regulations do not have effect unless approved by order of the Privy Council.

Their Lordships make this Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 25(1) and (2) of the Act.

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners (Registration) (Amendment) Regulations Order of Council 2023 and comes into force on 1st April 2023.

**Approval**

2. The Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners (Registration) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 set out in the Schedule are approved.

**Revocation**

3. The Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners (Registration) (Amendment) Regulations Order of Council 2020(2) is revoked.

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(1) 1966 c. 36; section 11(7) was inserted by [S.I. 2008/1824](#) and was repealed by [S.I. 2019/454](#).

(2) [S.I. 2020/42](#).

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*Richard Tilbrook*  
Clerk of the Privy Council

## SCHEDULE

Article 2

The Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners  
(Registration) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

The Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, in exercise of its powers under section 11 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966, makes the following Regulations.

For Part 4 (Fees payable) of the Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners (Registration) Regulations 2014(3), substitute—

## “PART 4

## Fees payable

Table 1

**Registration fees payable under regulation 9**

| <i>Type of registrant</i>                                    | <i>Fee payable (£)</i> |
|--|------------------------|
| New graduates registered by 31 December following graduation | 189                    |
| Other persons registered between 1 April and 30 September    | 379                    |
| Other persons registered between 1 October and 31 March      | 189                    |

Table 2

**Fees for temporary registrants payable under regulations 10, 11 and 14**

| <i>Type of fee</i>   | <i>Fee payable (£)</i> |
|--|------------------------|
| Normal registration fee  | 379                    |
| Registration fee for practice restricted to period of six months or less | 189                    |
| Retention fee  | 379                    |

Table 3

**Retention fees payable under regulation 15**

| <i>Circumstances</i>           | <i>Column A – Fee payable if payment received on or before 30 April (£)</i> | <i>Column B – Fee payable if payment received after 30 April (£)</i> |
|--------------------------------|---|--|
| Standard registrant            | 379   | 414  |
| Overseas practising registrant | 189   | 224  |

(3) [S.I. 2014/3493](#), amended by [S.I. 2020/42](#).

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| <i>Circumstances</i>      | <i>Column A – Fee payable if payment received on or before 30 April (£)</i> | <i>Column B – Fee payable if payment received after 30 April (£)</i> |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| Non-practising registrant | 62  | 97   |

**Table 4**

**Additional fees payable under regulations 16 and 17**

| <i>Fee paid (£)</i> | <i>New circumstance</i>                    | <i>Extra sum payable if change takes place before 1 October (£)</i> | <i>Extra sum payable if change takes place on or after 1 October (£)</i> |
|---------------------|--|---|--|
| 62 or 97            | Practising, but not in the British Islands | 127   | 64   |
| 62 or 97            | Practising in the British Islands          | 317   | 158  |
| 189 or 224          | Practising in the British Islands          | 190   | 95   |

**Table 5**

**Credits payable under regulation 18**

| <i>Fee paid (£)</i> | <i>New circumstance</i>        | <i>Sum to be credited (£)</i> |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 379 or 414          | Non-practising registrant      | 158                           |
| 379 or 414          | Overseas practising registrant | 95                            |
| 189 or 224          | Non-practising registrant      | 64                            |

**Table 6**

**Restoration fees payable under regulation 19**

| <i>Type of restoration</i>  | <i>Fee payable (£)</i> |
|---|------------------------|
| Restoration under section 11(3) of the Act following removal for non-receipt of retention fee | 379                    |
| Restoration in other circumstances  | 117”                   |

Pursuant to a resolution of the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons on 6th February 2023, the Common Seal of the said Royal College was affixed on the 9th February 2023 in the presence of—



*Niall Connell*  
Member of Council  
*Kate Richards*  
Member of Council  
*Eleanor Ferguson*  
Officer of the College

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order approves the Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners (Registration) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 made by the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (“RCVS”) under section 11 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 on 9th February 2023. Those Regulations substitute a new Part 4 of the Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners (Registration) Regulations 2014 (“the 2014 Regulations”) ([S.I. 2014/3493](#)).

The new Part 4 of the 2014 Regulations, which takes effect from 1st April 2023, provides for increases of approximately 2-7% in the fees for registration and retention of names in the Register of the RCVS, except for the fee in column 2 of row 3 in Table 6, in respect of which it provides for an increase of approximately 29%. It also provides for increases of approximately 4%-7% in the retention fee credits referred to in column 3 in Table 5.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.