STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2024 No. 321

VETERINARY SURGEONS

The Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners (Registration) (Amendment) Regulations Order of Council 2024

Made - - - - 6th March 2024

Coming into force - - 1st April 2024

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 6th day of March 2024

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"), which are set out in the Schedule to this Order, in exercise of powers conferred by section 11 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966(a) ("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 2024 and comes into force on 1st April 2024.

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 2023(**b**) is revoked.

Richard Tilbrook Clerk of the Privy Council

⁽a) 1966 c. 36; section 11(7) was inserted by S.I. 2008/1824 and was repealed by S.I. 2019/454.

⁽b) S.I. 2023/242.

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(a), substitute—

"PART 4

Fees payable

Table 1
Registration fees payable under regulation 9

Type of registrant	Fee payable (£)
New graduates registered by 31 December	200
following graduation	
Other persons registered between 1 April	402
and 30 September	
Other persons registered between 1 October	200
and 31 March	

Table 2
Fees for temporary registrants payable under regulations 10, 11 and 14

Type of fee	Fee payable (£)
Normal registration fee	402
Registration fee for practice restricted to period of six months or less	200
Retention fee	402

Table 3
Retention fees payable under regulation 15

Circumstances	1 0	Column B – Fee payable if payment received after 30 April (£)
Standard registrant	402	437
Overseas practising registrant	200	235
Non-practising registrant	66	101

Table 4
Additional fees payable under regulations 16 and 17

Fee paid (£)	New circumstance	Extra sum payable if	Extra sum payable if
		change takes place	change takes place

⁽a) S.I. 2014/3493, amended by S.I. 2023/242.

		before 1 October (£)	on or after 1 October
			(\pounds)
66 or 101	Practising, but not in the British Islands	134	67
66 or 101	Practising in the British Islands	336	168
200 or 235	Practising in the British Islands	202	101

Table 5
Credits payable under regulation 18

Fee paid (£)	New circumstance	Sum to be credited (£)
402 or 437	Non-practising registrant	168
402 or 437	Overseas practising	101
	registrant	
200 or 235	Non-practising registrant	67

Table 6
Restoration fees payable under regulation 19

Type of restoration	Fee payable (£)
Restoration under section 11(3) of the Act following	402
removal for non-receipt of retention fee	
Restoration in other circumstances	124"

Pursuant to a resolution of the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons on 8th June 2023, the Common Seal of the said Royal College was affixed on the 5th July 2023 in the presence of—



Melissa Donald
Member of Council

Kate Richards
Member of Council

Eleanor Ferguson
Officer of the College

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 5th July 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 2024, provides for increases of approximately 4-6% in the fees for registration and retention of names in the register of the RCVS.

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.

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