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## SCHEDULE 3

Amendments for the purpose of, and in connection with,  
implementing the EEA EFTA free trade agreement

### PART 5

Amendments in relation to healthcare professions

#### Amendments to the Health Professions Order 2001

**72.** In article 12 (approved qualifications)(1), after paragraph (1), insert—

“(1ZA) The Council may determine that a specified state qualification is not evidence of having reached a standard of proficiency comparable to that evidenced by a qualification approved under paragraph (1)(a) only where one or more of Conditions 1 to 3 are met.

(1ZB) Condition 1 is met where there exists a substantial difference between the standard of proficiency evidenced by the specified state qualification and the standard of proficiency it is necessary for a person to achieve for admission to the part of the register in respect of which the person is applying.

(1ZC) Condition 2 is met where the professional activities to which a qualification mentioned in paragraph (1)(a) relates include one or more professional activities that cover substantially different matters from those covered by the specified state qualification.

(1ZD) Condition 3 is met where requiring a person who holds a specified state qualification to pass an aptitude test or to successfully complete an adaptation period, or to do both, would amount to requiring the person to acquire a qualification approved under paragraph (1)(a).”.

#### Commencement Information

**11** Sch. 3 para. 72 in force at 1.12.2023, see [reg. 1](#)

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(1) There are amendments to article 12 but none is relevant to these Regulations.

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