STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1967 No. 599

VETERINARY SURGEONS

The Veterinary Surgeons (Examination of Commonwealth and Foreign Candidates) Regulations Order of Council 1967

Made - - - 14th April 1967

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 14th day of April 1967

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

Whereas in pursuance of section 6(4) of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966(a) the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons have made regulations entitled "The Veterinary Surgeons (Examination of Commonwealth and Foreign Candidates) 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 (Examination of Commonwealth and Foreign Candidates) Regulations Order of Council 1967.

W. G. Agnew.

SCHEDULE

THE VETERINARY SURGEONS (EXAMINATION OF COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN CANDIDATES) REGULATIONS 1967

The Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, in exercise of their powers under section 6(4) of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966, hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Veterinary Surgeons (Examination of Commonwealth and Foreign Candidates) Regulations 1967.

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

"the Act" means the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966;

"candidate" means a person required by the Council under section 6(2) of the Act to sit for the statutory examination;

"the Council" means the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons;

"the examiners" means the examiners appointed by the Council;

"the statutory examination" means the examination to be held by the Council for the purpose of section 6(2) of the Act.

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.

4. Every person desirous of sitting for the statutory examination shall satisfy the registrar that he is of good character and, subject to the provisions of section 6(5) of the Act, that he holds a Commonwealth or foreign qualification in veterinary surgery. He shall also furnish such other information as the Council shall require and, in particular, information as to the courses of study which he has taken and the examinations which he has undergone, the date on which his Commonwealth or foreign qualification was granted and the extent to which he has been permitted to practise, and has practised and has been prevented from practising since that date.

5. (1) The statutory examination shall normally be held once in every year and shall be designed to test the candidate's general veterinary knowledge in surgery, medicine, reproduction, and animal health. It shall include:

(a) written, oral and practical examinations in each of the forementioned subjects;

and

(b) clinical examinations in surgery, medicine and reproduction:

Provided that the Council may in the case of any candidate exempt the candidate from any of the examinations mentioned in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of this paragraph.

(2) The statutory examination or any part thereof may be held by the Council or other examining body under arrangements made by the Council.

6. A candidate must enter for the whole of the statutory examination at one time but if he does not satisfy the examiners in any one or more parts of the examination he may, at the discretion of the Council, sit for such part or parts at a subsequent statutory examination; if he shall then satisfy the examiners in such part or parts he may be regarded as having satisfied the examiners in the whole of the statutory examination.

7. Where any candidate fails to pass in any part of the statutory examination the examiners shall make a report to the Council who may, if they think fit, withdraw the right to sit for any part of the examination from a candidate who has twice failed to pass such part of the examination.

8. The standard of knowledge and skill required to be shown by candidates in order to satisfy the examiners in the statutory examination shall not be less than the standard required to qualify as a veterinary surgeon under section 3(1) of the Act.

9. The fee for sitting the whole of the statutory examination shall be fifty guineas and for sitting any part of the examination taken separately in terms of Regulation 6 of these Regulations shall be twenty-five guineas. No candidate shall be permitted to take the examination or any part thereof until he has paid the appropriate fee. Any candidate who has entered for the whole of the statutory examination but has been granted any exemption in terms of Regulation 5 of these Regulations shall for the purposes of this Regulation be deemed to sit the whole statutory examination.

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 1st day of February 1967 in the presence of:—

L.S.

A. J. WRIGHT, President.

J. B. WHITE, E. G. WHITE, *Members of Council*.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

The Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 requires the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons to hold examinations for the purpose of testing the knowledge and skill of candidates for registration who hold Commonwealth or foreign qualifications in veterinary surgery which are not qualifications recognised by the College as enabling it to dispense with such examinations. The regulations approved by this Order prescribe the content and standard of the examinations, the conditions for entry and the fees payable.