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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order amends Schedule 3 to the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966.

Part I of Schedule 3 to the Act (treatment and operations which may be given or carried out by unqualified persons) is amended so that a veterinary nurse (new paragraph 6) or a student veterinary nurse (new paragraph 7) may carry out any medical treatment or any minor surgery to any animal in specified circumstances.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared and placed in the library of each House of Parliament. Copies may be obtained from the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Animal Welfare, Branch D), 6th Floor, 1A Page Street, London SW1P 4PQ.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 (Schedule 3 Amendment) Order 2002.