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VETERINARY AND PARA-VETERINARY PROFESSIONS
ACT, 1982 (ACT No. 19 OF 1982)

REGULATIONS RELATING TO VETERINARY AND PARA-VETERINARY PROFESSIONS: AMENDMENT

The Minister of Agriculture has under section 43 of the Veterinary and Para-Veterinary Professions Act, 1982 (Act No. 19 of 1982), made the regulations in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE

Definition

1. In this Schedule "the Regulations" means the regulations published by Government Notice No. R.2085 of 1 October 1982, as amended by the regulations published by Government Notices Nos. R.1994 of 11 September 1987 (as corrected by Government Notice No. R.2199 of 2 October 1987), R.397 of 4 March 1988, R.1067 of 17 May 1991, R.11 of 3 January 1992, R.976 of 27 March 1992, R.1477 of 23 September 1994, R.47 of 20 January 1995, R.701 of 12 May 1995, R.1401 of 15 September 1995, R.561 of 1 April 1996, R.256 of 14 February 1997, R.257 of 14 February 1997, R.96 of 16 January 1998, R.501 of 1 April 1998, R.751 of 5 June 1998, R.374 of 26 March 1999, R.422 of 1 April 1999 and R.618 of 23 June 2000.

Insertion of regulations 21D, 21E and 21F into the Regulations

2. The Regulations are hereby amended by the insertion after Regulation 21C of the following regulations:

"21D Requirements for registration to practise the para-veterinary profession of animal health technician

- (1) Any applicant who applies for registration as an animal health technician must submit the following documents:
 - (a) A certificate of competence in mathematics and physical science or biology issued for school leaving purposes by a competent secondary level schooling authority of South Africa; or
 - (b) A certificate of equivalent status as approved by the Veterinary Council within the National Qualifications Framework.
- (2) The diploma or degree referred to in regulation 21 which entitles a candidate to register as an animal health technician must –
 - (a) comprise the completion of at least three academic years of study as a registered animal health technician student; and
 - (b) be constituted of the subject courses specified in Table 8.
- (3) Upon completion of the prescribed diploma or degree a registered animal health technician student may, if the registering authority is satisfied that the provisions of the Act and these regulations have been successfully complied with, be registered as an animal health technician in terms of the Act.

21E Curriculum requirements for the para-veterinary profession of animal health technician

- (1) The curriculum of any tertiary institution that offers a course of study for qualification as an animal health technician shall comprise the subject courses specified in Table 8.
- (2) The curriculum must impart a sound knowledge of farm animals and production systems to identify problems related to the breeding, feeding, management and economics of livestock production.

21F Examination of the para-veterinary profession of animal health technician

- (1) The examination for the diploma must include examination in the subject courses specified in Table 8.
- (2) If the examination consists of a practical and a theoretical part, a minimum mark of 40 per cent must be obtained in each part.
- (3) At least two examiners, one of whom was not involved in the teaching of the subject to the candidate, must participate in the assessment of each student.
- (4) A candidate must pass an examination in a subject if at least 50 per cent of the maximum marks obtainable in the examination for that subject, is obtained."

Substitution of Table 4 of the Regulations

4. The table in Annexure A is hereby substituted for Table 4 of the Regulations.

Addition of Table 8

5. The Regulations are hereby amended by the addition of Table 8:

ANNEXURE/AANHANGSEL A

"TABLE 4/TABEL 4
Qualifications for Registration to practise a Para-Veterinary Profession/
Kwalifikasie vir Registrasie om 'n Para-veterinêre Beroep te beoefen
[Reg. 21 and/en 27]

Degree, diploma or certificate/ Graad, diploma of sertifikaat	Granted by/ Toegeken deur	Para-Veterinary profession/ Para-veterinêre beroep	Designations reserved/ Benamings voorbehou
1	2	3	4
Dip. Cur. Anim.	University of Pretoria, South Africa/ Universiteit van Pretoria, Suid-Afrika	Veterinary nurse/ Veterinêre verpleegster	Veterinary nurse, Animal nurse/ Veterinêre verpleegster, Diere-verpleegster
Dip. Vet. Nur.	University of Pretoria, South Africa/ Universiteit van Pretoria, Suid-Afrika	Veterinary nurse/ Veterinêre verpleegster	Veterinary nurse, Animal nurse/ Veterinêre verpleegster, Diere-verpleegster
National Diploma in Veterinary Technology/ Nasionale Diploma in Veterinêre Tegnologie	Department of National Education, after examination based on education received at a Technikon in the Republic/ Departement van Nasionale Onderrig, na eksamen op grond van onderrig ontvang by 'n Tegnikon in die Republiek	Veterinary technologist/ Veterinêre tegnoloog	Veterinary technologist/ Veterinêre tegnoloog
National Diploma in Laboratory Animal Technology/ Nasionale Diploma in Proefdier tegnologie	Technikon South Africa/ Technikon Suid-Afrika	Laboratory Animal Technologist/ Proefdier tegnoloog	Laboratory animal technologist/ Proefdier tegnoloog
B.Sc. Agric (Animal Health)/ B.Sc. Agric (Animal Health)	University of the North West/ Universiteit Noord-Wes	Animal health technician/ Dieregesondheidstegnikus	Animal health technician/ Dieregesondheidstegnikus
Diploma Animal Health	University of the North West/ Universiteit Noord-Wes	Animal health technician/ Dieregesondheidstegnikus	Animal health technician/ Dieregesondheidstegnikus
National Diploma Animal Health/ Nasionale Diploma Dieregesondheid	Technikon South Africa/ Technikon Suid-Afrika	Animal health technician/ Dieregesondheidstegnikus	Animal health technician/ Dieregesondheidstegnikus

"TABLE 8/TABEL 8

Subject course/ Vakkursus	Minimum academic year/ Minimum akademiese jaar	Contents and instruction*/ Inhoud en instruksie *
Macroscopic Anatomy/ Makroskopiese Anatomie	1	Morphology of domesticated animals, including birds, and must include exposure to and handling of dissected material and demonstrations on living animals/ Morfologie van huisdiere, met inbegrip van voëls, en moet blootstelling aan en hantering van gedissekteerde material en demonstrasies op lewende diere insluit.
Physiology/Fisiologie	1	An elementary course in the physiology and physiological chemistry of the most important body systems of domesticated animals/n Basiese kursus in die fisiologie en fisiologiese chemie van die belangrikste liggaamstelsels van huisdiere.
Pharmacology and Toxicology/ Farmakologie en Toksikologie	½	<p>(a) Curative medication and assistance to veterinarians in the use of medicines, related substances and agro-chemicals used in primary animal health care/ Genesende medikasie en hulp aan veeartse in die gebruik van medisynes, verwante stowwe en landbou-chemikalieë wat gebruik word in primêre dieregesondheidsorg;</p> <p>(b) A basic understanding of the effects of poisonous plants on animal health, with a special emphasis on the control and prevention in southern Africa/n Basiese begrip van die uitwerking van giftige plante op dieregesondheid, met besondere klem op die beheer en voorkoming in suider Afrika.</p>
Para-clinical group/ Parakliniese groep: Animal science group of subjects/ Veekunde-groep vakke	1½	Poisonous plants and agro-chemicals/Giftige plante en landbou-chemikalieë (a) Theoretical and practical instruction in/Teoretiese en praktiese onderrig in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic genetics, breed characteristics, breeding, production systems, animal products, economics of production and related matters/Basiese genetica, ras-eienskappe, teling, produksiestelsels, diereprodukte, ekonomie van produksie en verwante sake. • Housing, management, care, handling and behaviour of animals/Huisvesting, bestuur, versorging, hantering en gedrag van diere • Minimum requirements for nutrition and the feeding of animals, including nutritional imbalances and deficiencies/Minimum vereistes vir voeding en die voer van diere, met inbegrip van voedingswanbalanse en -tekorte. • Application of primary animal health care/ Toepassing van primêre dieregesondheidsorg. • Delivery of an animal health extension service/ Lewering van 'n dieregesondheidsvooringtingsdiens.

		<p>(b) Practically orientated knowledge of veld and pastures, the management and utilization thereof in the maintenance and promotion of animal health and production with the emphasis on environmental conservation and veterinary extension services/Prakties-georiënteerde kennis van veld en weiding, die bestuur en benutting daarvan in die bevordering van dieregesondheid en –produksie met die klem op omgewingsbewaring en veteriniere voorligtingsdienste</p>
Pathology group of subjects/ Patologie groep van vakke	2	<p>(a) Macroscopic anatomical pathology, including <i>post mortem</i> examinations with the emphasis on the collection, preservation and dispatch of samples/Makroskopiese anatomiese patologie, met inbegrip van nadoodse ondersoek met die klem op die versameling, bewaring en versending van monsters;</p> <p>(b) A basic understanding of the pathogenesis of diseases caused by bacteria, viruses, protozoa, fungi and other pathogenic organisms, with the emphasis on the control and prevention of diseases of economic and zoonotic importance to Southern Africa/n Basiese begrip van die ontstaan van siektes wat veroorsaak word deur bakterieë, virusse, protosoë, fungi en ander patogeniese organismes, met die klem op die beheer en voorkoming van siektes van ekonomiese en soönotiese belang vir suider Afrika;</p> <p>(c) The application and administration of provincial, national and international animal disease control measures in terms of existing certification and legislation/Die toepassing en administrasie van provinsiale, nasionale en internasionale dieresiekte beheermaatreëls ingevolge bestaande sertifisering en wetgewing;</p> <p>(d) The collection, recording and processing of data as a support function in epidemiological surveys and investigations/Die versameling, optekening en verwerking van data as 'n ondersteuningsfunksie tydens epidemiologiese opnames en ondersoek;</p>
		<p>(e) Veterinary helminthology and entomology of importance to animal health and economics; and/Veteriniere helminnologie en entomologie wat van belang is vir dieregesondheid en –ekonomie; en</p> <p>(f) Field laboratory and technical procedures, including care and handling of laboratory apparatus, the collection and dispatch of specimens/samples for diagnostic purposes, preparation and examination of blood smears and skin and wool scrapings, as well as faeces samples and elementary clinical chemistry/Veldlaboratorium en tegniese prosedures, met inbegrip van die versorging en hantering van laboratoriumapparaat, die versameling en versending van monsters vir diagnostiese doeleindes, die voorbereiding en ondersoek van bloedsmele en vel- en wolkrappings, asook misonsters en basiese kliniese chemie.</p> <p>(g) The basic principles of the safety and hygiene of food of animal origin, including abattoir hygiene, meat inspection and relevant legislation/Die basiese beginsels van die veiligheid en higiëne van voedsel van diere-oorsprong, met inbegrip van abattoirhigiëne, vleisinspeksie en verwante wetgewing.</p>

* The course of instruction must consist of equal exposure to theoretical and practical instruction/

• Die kursus moet so saamgestel wees dat daar gelyke blootstelling aan teoretiese en praktiese onderrig is."