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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SOCIETIES FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

RULES

1 **NEW RULE 5.40**

Societies with websites and blogs must provide the Council with their website and blog URL addresses as well as the email contact details of the person responsible for managing the website content in writing which can be per email or fax.

Societies must inform the Council within 24 hours of making any changes or updates to websites and provide the Council with the direct URL link to the affected page(s); Council must also be notified within 24 hours of changes to the contact details of the person responsible for managing the website content.

2 **NEW RULE 6.8**

A Society shall take immediate, appropriate action against a committee member and disciplinary action against a staff member if in the opinion of the Council the person has contravened the Animals Protection Act or any other Acts which are applicable to the welfare and protection of animals.

AMENDMENT TO RULE 5.29

All Inspectors are required to attend a Refresher Course every 5 years and pass the appropriate examination.

AMENDMENT TO RULE 5.38 4

No exotic animal may be homed by any Society, with the exception of rabbits, rodents, budgerigars, canaries, cockatiels and goldfish and on condition that adequate enrichment and appropriate facilities are provided to promote the welfare of the animal. In respect of all other exotic animals this provision shall not apply where the animal may be relocated to a sanctuary approved by the NSPCA, which relocation shall be subject to such conditions as may be necessary to promote the welfare of the animal concerned. Where this is possible it is reasonably practical and/or possible to do so, such animal may be repatriated to its country of origin. Where neither of these alternatives is available then the Society shall with written motivation and details of the proposed environment refer the matter to the NSPCA for a decision on whether the animal shall be homed to an individual under specific conditions or whether the animal shall be humanely euthanased by a veterinarian/appropriate skilled person with the requisite knowledge, skill and experience.