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#### **BOARD NOTICE 190 OF 2016**

# NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SOCIETIES FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

#### RULES

#### 1 AMENDMENT TO RULE 6.12

A Society shall not supply live or dead animals, including organs, tissues and biological samples, to any organisation, body or person for research or teaching purposes. Trials may be conducted on live animals where such trials are for the benefit of the same species, cause no suffering, are done upon the premises of a Society, and are conducted under the supervision of a veterinarian approved by the Council. Further, prior to the conduct of such trial, the prior written consent of the Board must first be obtained, and the trial shall be conducted upon such terms and conditions as the Council deems fit.

# 2 AMENDMENT TO RULE 3.7

A Society shall conduct its activities in compliance with all laws applicable to it including without limitation, the requirements of the NonProfit Organisations Act, No 71 of 1997 (and any legislation passed wholly or partly in substitution therefor) the Animals Protection Act and the associated Acts and the Labour Relations Act, No.66 of 1995(or any legislation enacted wholly or partly in substitution therefor).

# 3 NEW RULE TO BE NUMBERED 6.29

All managers of Societies must attend an Inspectors Training Course, although it is not imperative, but advisable, for them to qualify. The Board may however exempt a Society from such a requirement upon such conditions and for such period (which period shall not exceed 12 months) as it may deem fit, having regard to the particular circumstances of the Society, and after receipt of a request for such exemption, fully motivated, from the Society.

#### 4 AMENDMENT TO RULE 6.16

Every Society shall have at least one qualified Inspector on its staff that is dedicated to undertake only inspectorate work. The Board may however exempt a Society from such a requirement upon such conditions and for such period (which period shall not exceed 12 months) as it may deem fit, having regard to the particular circumstances of the Society, and after receipt of a request for such exemption, fully motivated, from the Society.

## 5 AMENDMENT TO RULE 3.2(b)

All bank and other accounts with financial institutions operated by a Society shall be in the name of the Society and shall be operated reliant upon the signatures of two or more signatories, who shall not be from the same family nor household, authorised by a written resolution properly passed by the Governing Body of the Society. In the case of electronic banking, two or more signatories need to load and release any and all payments made via electronic banking, authorised by written resolution properly passed by the Governing body of the Society.

# 6 AMENDMENT TO RULE 3.4(b)

Except in cases where the money is raised from websites, all income must be paid into the main banking account of a Society and no income, whether in the form of legacies or otherwise, may be paid directly into any Trust or Off-Shore banking account. No Trust may be created unless the terms contained in its founding document have been approved by the Board in writing, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. No funds shall be paid directly from an investment/trust/any other type of account. Any money paid by the Society must be paid from the main bank account.

#### **SOCIETIES CONSTITUTION**

#### 7 NEW CLAUSE TO BE NUMBERED 11.18

In the event that a member of the Management Committee of any SPCA is removed or replaced in terms of Section 11 of the Societies for the Prevention of Cruelty Act No 169 of 1993, then the Board shall also simultaneously be authorised to remove and replace the individual/s as signatories on any banking account or investment of any kind, which is held with any institution in the name of the Society.

# 8 AMENDMENT TO CLAUSE NUMBER 4.5

Paid employees of the Society, their relatives by blood or marriage (whether civil, customary or religious) or persons with whom they are in a same-sex or heterosexual relationship, shall be eligible for membership of a Society. They shall be entitled to speak at meetings, but shall not be entitled to vote, or be eligible for appointment as trustees, directors, officers or members of the Management committee; provided that the term 'paid employees' shall not be regarded as referring to persons to whom the Management committee may vote periodic and modest honoraria (as reimbursement for direct costs incurred).