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by the

President of the Republic of South Africa

**COMMENCEMENT OF THE VETERINARY AND PARA-VETERINARY
PROFESSIONS AMENDMENT ACT, 2014 (ACT NO 16 OF 2012)**

In terms of section 14 of the Veterinary and Para-Veterinary Professions Amendment Act, 2012 (Act No. 16 of 2012) ("the Act"), I hereby, determine the date of publication as the date on which the whole Act shall come into operation.

Given under my hand at PRETORIA.....on this 01.....day of OCTOBER..... Two
Thousand and Fifteen.


President
By Order of the President-in-Cabinet


Minister of the Cabinet

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES

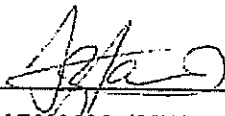
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REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE PERFORMANCE OF COMPULSORY
COMMUNITY SERVICE (CCS)

I, Senzeni Zokwana, Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, has, in terms of section 43(1)(j) of the Veterinary and Para-Veterinary Professions Act, 1982 (Act No. 19 of 1982), and after consultation with the South African Veterinary Council:

- a) Made the regulations in the Schedule;
- b) Repealed the regulations published in Government Notice No. 38574 (Notice No. 235) on 20 March 2015
- c) Determined that the set regulations shall come into operation on date of publication



MR S ZOKWANA (MP)

MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES

30. 09. 2015

SCHEDULE**1 DEFINITIONS**

In these Regulations any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall have the meaning so assigned and, unless the context indicates otherwise-

- 1.1 "Department" means the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries and "the Act" means the Veterinary and Para-Veterinary Act, 1982 (Act No. 19 of 1982);
- 1.2 "Minister" in these regulations shall mean the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries; and
- 1.3 "Council" in these regulations shall mean the South African Veterinary Council.

2 PERSONS WHO SHALL PERFORM COMPULSORY COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2.1 Compulsory community service shall be performed by every person registering for the first time as a veterinarian in terms of the Act and shall include a person who obtained his or her qualifications outside the Republic of South Africa, unless exempted in terms of these regulations.

3 REGISTRATION OF PERSONS PERFORMING COMPULSORY COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 3.1 The Council shall establish a register wherein all persons performing compulsory community service are registered as such.
- 3.2 A person desiring to register for compulsory community service shall apply to the Council on an application form obtainable from the Council for this purpose.
- 3.3 The application form referred to in sub-regulation 3.2 shall be accompanied by the following documents:
- a) proof that the provisions contemplated in regulation 23 of the Veterinary and Para-Veterinary Professions Regulations published in Government Notice No 2085 of 1 October 1982 have been met and;
 - c) a letter of appointment as a community service veterinarian issued by the Department.
- 3.4 The Department shall issue a certificate of completion to a person who has completed his or her compulsory community service
- 3.5 A person shall, upon receipt of a certificate contemplated in sub-regulation 3.4, submit a certified copy thereof as proof of such certificate to the council.
- 3.6 A person performing compulsory community service may only be granted a certificate reflecting particulars contemplated in regulation 3.2.

3.7 A person who has been issued with the certificate of compulsory community service shall, upon submitting a certificate of completion issued by the Department, request in writing to be removed by the Council from a register referred to in regulation 3.1.

3.8 The Council shall, upon written request, remove a person who has been issued a certificate issued in terms regulation 3.6 from the register referred to in regulation 3.1 above.

4 CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

4.1 The conditions of service applicable to the public service employees shall, unless otherwise provided for in these regulations, apply to persons performing compulsory community service.

5 PLACES WHERE COMPULSORY COMMUNITY SERVICE IS TO BE PERFORMED

5.1 Categories for places where compulsory community service is to be performed in terms of these regulations shall include, but not limited to:

(a) Places for laboratory, diagnostic, research services, academia and commercial veterinary related biologicals production;

(b) Places for State Veterinary Services;

(c) Places for Animal Welfare Organisations;

(d) Places for private practitioners;

(e) Places for the South African National Defence Force and the South African Police Services;

(f) Places for nature conservations; and

(g) Any other related places or groups

6 INTERRUPTION OF PERIOD OF COMPULSORY COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 6.1 Compulsory community service shall be completed within a maximum period of 18 months from the date of first registration as a Compulsory Community Service (CCS) veterinarian with the Council.

7 CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH CERTAIN PERSONS MAY BE EXEMPTED FROM THE PERFORMANCE OF COMPULSORY COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 7.1 The Minister may, after consultation with the Council, exempt persons who fall within the following categories from compulsory community service:
- a) Persons who obtained veterinary related post graduate qualifications outside the Republic of South Africa; or
 - b) Persons who belong to para-veterinary professions.