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# REGULATIONS

# Made under Section 52

# THE VETERINARY ACT (PROCEDURES FOR REGISTRATION EXAMINATIONS FOR VETERINARIAN AND VETERINARY SPECIALISTS REGULATIONS), 2005

# **PART I**

### PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

| Citation        |     | 1. | These regulations may be cited as the Veterinary Act (Procedures      |  |
|-----------------|-----|----|---|--|
|                 |     |    | For Registration Examinations), 2005                                  |  |
| Application     |     | 2. | These Regulations shall apply to all areas in which the Act applies.  |  |
| Definitions a   | and | 3. | In these regulations, words, terms or expressions shall have the same |  |
| interpretations | 3   |    | meaning ascribed in the Veterinary Act number 16 of 2003 unless       |  |
|                 |     |    | otherwise defined below: -  |  |
|                 |     |    | "Act" means the Veterinary Act No. 16, 2003:                          |  |
|                 |     |    | "Board" means the Examiners Board established under these             |  |
|                 |     |    | regulations;  |  |
|                 |     |    | "Staff" means an employee of the Veterinary Council of Tanzania;      |  |
|                 |     |    | "Registration Examination" means an examination set and               |  |
|                 |     |    | supervised by the Council that one has to pass before being           |  |
|                 |     |    | registered;   |  |
|                 |     |    | "Veterinary College or University" means an establishment legally     |  |
|                 |     |    | recognized and offering courses of study in the art and science of    |  |
|                 |     |    | veterinary medicine.  |  |
|                 |     |    | PART II   |  |
|                 |     |    | THE EXAMINERS BOARD   |  |
| Establishment   | of  | 4. | The Council shall establish a Board of Examiners for professional     |  |
| Examiners Boa   | rd  |    | examinations;   |  |
| Composition     | of  | 5. | (1) The Council shall appoint 6 registered veterinarians to be        |  |
| the Board       |     |    | members of the Board. These shall include veterinarians specialized   |  |

in Medicine, Surgery, Theriogenology, Epidemiology and Public Health;

(2) Members of the Board shall elect a chair, and a secretary from among themselves;

(3) Members to the Board shall be appointed to work for three years and can be re-appointed for second and last term

(1) The Board may make rules necessary to carry out its functions in relation to these regulations;

(2) Two thirds of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum at meetings of the Board.

(3) Each year the Council shall fix a date and appoint a venue where examinations shall be held;

(4) The Board shall

(a) Set the examinations which shall be moderated by the Registration and Examination Committee of the Council;

(b) Conduct examinations;

(c) Marking of scripts and provide the results with recommendations for approval;

(d) Certify to the Registration and Examination Committee Council the names of all candidates who have successfully passed an examination and are entitled for registration

(5) The registration and Examination Committee shall consider the results and make recommendations to the Council. The Council shall approve the results and register the candidate.

### PART III

#### PROCEDURES FOR REGISTRATION EXAMINATION

Procedure for examination for registration  (1) Examinations shall be held at least once in a year and at such other times as the Council may direct;

(2) The Council shall give notice in the media of venue and time of the examination at least 3 months prior to the date of the examination;

(3) Candidates aspiring for registration shall:

a) register for examinations with the Council by submitting a

Procedures and 6. functions of the board of examiners completed application form as per schedule 1;

b) pay examination fees not later than 2 months before the date of the examination;

(4) The Council shall inform every applicant a month prior to the examination on the following:

- (a) Eligibility;
- (b) Venue;
- (c) Time; and
- (d) Regulations for examination

### PART IV

#### TYPES AND CATEGORIES OF EXAMINATIONS

- Examinations for 8. (1) The Board on behalf of the Council shall conduct examinations Veterinarians that shall comprise of theory and practicals including oral examinations; and shall cover courses in pre-clinical, para-clinical, clinical studies. (2) The examinations shall include four separate papers in medicine, surgery, reproductions and a paper covering pre and para clinical subjects; Examinations for 9. Examinations for registration as Veterinary Specialist shall include but Veterinary not limited to:-Specialists
  - (a) A written examination of three hours;
    - which is of a general nature that will test the candidate on the basic knowledge and understanding of the veterinary practice;
    - (ii) on the specialized subjects aiming at testing the candidate on the understanding of the subject of specialization;

(b) three hours of practical examination;

(c) a panel for three hours clinical oral examination which includes

but not limited to Medicine, Theriogenology, Clinical Pathology, Surgery, Veterinary legislation and state medicine.

## PART V

### **GRADING OF EXAMINATIONS**

Examination grading for Veterinarians 10.

- The pass score for each examination shall be 50%. The candidate shall have to pass the written, practical and oral examination separately;
- (2) A candidate who

(a) fails to achieve a pass score in any of the courses shall be required to retake the examination within a period of twelve months;

(b) would have failed any course and fails to resit the examination within a twelve months period shall be deemed to have failed in the whole examination and shall be required to re-apply and sit for the entire examination in the subsequent year.

- (3) If a candidate fails to pass his examination on the second attempt, the candidate shall be required, to re-sit the whole examination in the subsequent year;
- (4) If a candidate at the first attempt fails 75% or more of the papers/courses, he shall not be allowed to re-sit the failed examination. Those who would have failed less than 75% of the courses shall be allowed to re-sit the failed examination.
- (5) If a candidate is unsuccessful on his first or second attempt and it appears to the Examiners that the candidate requires further education, the Council after receiving advice from the Board of Examiners, shall require the candidate to attend a college approved by the Council to study subjects as provided within these regulations; such candidates before being permitted to re-sit the examination, shall be required to present authenticated evidence of additional study.
- (6) A candidate who has taken additional study as indicated in subregulation (f) and failed again shall not be considered for another attempt.
- Examination11.Examination grading for a Veterinary Specialist, the four papers shallgradingforconstitute one course and classification shall be either a pass moreVeterinarythan 50% or fail less than 50% and on passing the examination, the

| Specialists     |     |     | candidate shall be awarded a certificate of performance                |
|-----------------|-----|-----|--|
| Classification  | and | 12. | (1) The grading of performance in the examination shall be as per      |
| the certificate |     |     | Fourth Schedule of these regulations any candidate who passes the      |
|                 |     |     | examination of the Council shall be given a certificate of performance |
|                 |     |     | as per Fourth Schedule of these regulations                            |
|                 |     |     | (2) Any person who shall pass the examination of the Council shall be  |
|                 |     |     | given a certificate of pass where scores for subjects taken shall be   |
|                 |     |     | recorded.  |

# PART VI

# FEES AND CHARGES

| Examination fee 13.                    |     | <ul> <li>(1) A candidate sitting for an examination shall be required to pay an application and examination fees in respect of the examination to be taken as per second schedule on the following grounds:</li> <li>(a) for those re-sitting examination shall pay fees as per second schedule;</li> <li>(b) for those re-sitting an entire examination shall be required to pay the examination fees only;</li> <li>(2) The fees under sub-regulation (1) shall be reviewed from time to time by the Council.</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
|--|-----|---|--|--|--|
| Refunding of<br>examination fees       | 14. | <ul> <li>(1) Notification for postponement of examination shall be accepted at anytime before the date of examination;</li> <li>(2) Where the postponement has been under sub-regulation (1):</li> <li>(a) applicant shall be refunded 50% of the total sum paid as examination fee if the application for postponement is received a month prior to date of examinations.</li> <li>(b) The refund shall be 25% of the total sum paid as examination fee if the application for postponement is received twenty one days prior to date of examinations.</li> <li>(c) no refund shall be considered if postponement is submitted in less than 10 days</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
| Cost for<br>conducting<br>examinations | 15. | <ul><li>(1) The cost involved in the conduct of examination shall be paid by<br/>the Council in the manner prescribed in Third Schedule.</li><li>(2) Each member of the Board shall be reimbursed for travel,</li></ul>   |  |  |  |

accommodation and other expenses in accordance to Council Financial regulations

# PART VII

## APPEALS

Appeals16.(1) Appeals shall be made within twenty one days after receiving the<br/>examination results.<br/>(2) All appeals shall be made to the Council upon payment of appeal<br/>fees as provided for in the Second Schedule. The Council shall

appoint a committee to reconsider the case and recommend to the Council.

### FIRST SCHEDULE

### (Made under Regulation 7 (c)(i))

### APPLICATION FORM FOR REGISTRATION EXAMINATIONS

Attach your signed, stamped passport photograph here

### **SECTION A: PERSONAL DATA**

| Surname                            | Middle name |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| Othernames                         |             |  |  |  |  |
| Marital status                     | -           |  |  |  |  |
| Place of Birth                     | Birth date) |  |  |  |  |
| Male Female _                      |             |  |  |  |  |
| Address                            |             |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |             |  |  |  |  |
| Phone Fax                          | E-mail      |  |  |  |  |
| SECTION B: ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS |             |  |  |  |  |
| Degree(s):Institu                  | tion Doto   |  |  |  |  |
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| 1                                  |             |  |  |  |  |
| 2                                  |             |  |  |  |  |

| Diploma |  |  |
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| 1       |  |  |
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| 2.      |  |  |
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## SECTION C: APPLICANTS' STATUTORY DECLARATION

I..... do hereby declare on this ...... day of..... that I am the person who is applying for Registration Examination as a Veterinarian/Veterinary Specialist and I am holding the above qualification and that the information I have given is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature.....Date.....

### CERTIFICATION: (To be certified by advocate/magistrate/notary public)

Name: ..... Qualification ..... Signature..... Address: ....

## SECTION D: FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Accepted/ Not Accepted/

Reasons (If not being Accepted.

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#### Signatures

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Chairman Veterinary Council of Tanzania Date..... .....

Registrar Veterinary Council of Tanzania Date.....

# SECOND SCHEDULE

# [Made under Regulation 16(3)] APPLICATION, EXAMINATION AND APPEAL FEES

|                 | Application | Examination | Re-sit Examination | Appeal fees |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
|                 | Fees        | Fees        |                    |             |
| Foreign         | 100 USD     | 400 USD     | 30 USD per         | 50,000/=    |
| Veterinarian    |             |             | course/paper       |             |
| Foreign trained | 100,000/=   | 200,000/=   | 30,000/= per       | 50,000/=    |
| Veterinarians   |             |             | course/paper       |             |
| Veterinary      | 120,000/=   | 220,000/=   | 50,000/= per       | 50,000/=    |
| Specialist      |             |             | course/paper       |             |

# THIRD SCHEDULE

# [Made under Regulation 15]

# COST FOR CONDUCTING EXAMINATIONS

| examination paper and model | manuscript marked | practical and oral examination |  |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| answers prepared            |                   | conducted                      |  |
| 100,000/=                   | 5,000/=           | 20,000/=                       |  |
|                             |                   |                                |  |

# FOURTH SCHEDULE

# [Made under Regulation 11]

# UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

# **VETERINARY COUNCIL OF TANZANIA**



### CERTIFICATE OF PERFORMANCE AS A VETERINARIAN/VETERINARY SPECIALIST

(Made under Regulation 11)

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### VCT SEAL

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Chairman - Veterinary Council of Tanzania

Registrar - Veterinary Council of Tanzania

Date.....

### FIFTH SCHEDULE

THE SEAL OF VETERINARY COUNCIL OF TANZANIA IS HERE UNTO AFFIXED IN PURSUANCE OF THE RESOLUTION PASSED AT A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL DULY CONVENED AND HELD ON THE MONTH......YEAR ......AND THE SAME WAS AFFIXED IN THE PRESENCE OF: -

#### .....

# Registrar VETERINARY COUNCIL OF TANZANIA

#### .....

## Chairman

# **VETERINARY COUNCIL OF TANZANA**

I APPROVE

## MINISTER OF WATER AND LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT

Dar es Salaam, 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2005 EDWARD LOWASSA, (MP), Minister for Water and Livestock Development