### Registration of Veterinarians and Veterinary Para-professionals. ZAMBIA

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### LEGAL FRAMEWORK

- Registration of Veterinary Surgeons carried out under the Veterinary Surgeons Act of the laws of Zambia.
- The Act is to provide for the registration of Veterinary Surgeons; to provide for the regulation of the practice of the profession of veterinary surgery and medicine; and to provide for matters incidental to the foregoing.

# Registration of Veterinary Para-Professionals

 Under the current legislation, there is no provision for registration of veterinary Paraprofessionals.

### **Registration.**

- Registration carried out by the board of Veterinary Surgery.
- The Board comprises of;
- Director of Veterinary services- Chairperson
- Three members appointed by the Minister- Two of them shall be Veterinary Surgeons.
- Two members elected by the Veterinary association- One shall be a private practitioner.

### Qualifications for registration.

 If applicant holds, to the satisfaction of the Director, one or more qualifications set out in a schedule.

- Degree from a listed university.
- Membership or fellowship of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.
- Any additional requirement required in order to practice in Country of qualification.

### Qualifications for registration-Contd.

- If applicant is of Good character.
- If applicants name has not been struck off the register on the direction of the board
- Provided the board has granted permission to make application for re-registration.
- The High Court has reversed the decision of the board.

# Application for registration.

- Applicant makes application to the Director on a prescribed form.
- Application shall be supported by original or certified copies of documents recording applicants' qualification.
- Application shall be accompanied by a fee as prescribed.
- > Upon registration, the Director shall issue a certificate of registration.

### **Register of veterinary Surgeons.**

- The Director shall keep "The register of Veterinary surgeons" in which shall be entered the full names, qualifications, address and date of registration of the veterinary surgeon.
- The details of a registered veterinary Surgeon shall be published in the Gazette.
- In the month of January, the register shall be published in the Gazette.

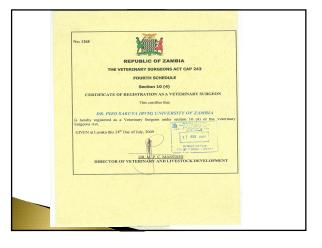
### Removal of name from register.

- The Director shall strike off a name from the register under the direction of the board and re-enter if so directed.
- The Director shall remove a name from the register if;
  - The veterinary surgeon makes written application to be removed.
  - $^{\circ}$  The Director is satisfied the Veterinary Surgeon is dead.

# Removal of name from register Contd.

- The Director, upon satisfaction that the veterinary surgeon has ceased to practice veterinary medicine or surgery in Zambia.
  - Publish in the gazette intention to remove name from the register
  - Send a copy of the notification to the address of the registered veterinary surgeon.
  - If no objection within thirty days, the Director shall remove the name.

# Disciplinary Powers of board Upon conviction of a felony, or be deemed guilty of infamous or disgraceful conduct, the board may: Caution the veterinary surgeon, Censure the veterinary surgeon or Direct that the name be struck out of the register.



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