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# **Veterinary Surgeons Registration Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 2) Order 2021**

(Made by the Secretary for Food and Health under section 29(2) of the Veterinary Surgeons Registration Ordinance (Cap. 529))

#### 1. Commencement

This Order comes into operation on 1 September 2021.

## 2. Veterinary Surgeons Registration Ordinance amended

The Veterinary Surgeons Registration Ordinance (Cap. 529) is amended as set out in section 3.

# 3. Schedule 2 amended (exemptions from Ordinance)

(1) Schedule 2, Chinese text, before section 1, definition of 監督—

## Repeal

"助。"

#### **Substitute**

"助;"

(2) Schedule 2, before section 1—

# Add in alphabetical order

- "recognized veterinary course (認可獸醫課程) means a full-time course in veterinary surgery provided by—
  - (a) the City University of Hong Kong; or

 (b) a university, college or school that awards a qualification recognized by the Board for the purpose of registration as a registered veterinary surgeon;

- specified veterinary student (指明獸醫學生) means a person who is undergoing a recognized veterinary course with a view to becoming a veterinary surgeon;".
- (3) Schedule 2, sections 3A, 3B and 3C, after "person"—

#### Add

"(other than a specified veterinary student)".

(4) Schedule 2, after section 3C—

#### Add

- "3D. A specified veterinary student of a recognized veterinary course who performs an act of veterinary surgery or provides veterinary service as part of the clinical training required by the course—
  - (a) for an act described in section 3A(a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Schedule (but not including diagnosing, prescribing medication or performing a surgical operation) that is performed on an animal—under the direction of a registered veterinary surgeon;
  - (b) for an act described in section 3B(a), (b), (c) or (d) of this Schedule (but not including diagnosing, prescribing medication or performing a surgical operation) that is performed on an animal—under the supervision of a registered veterinary surgeon; or

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(c) for any other act of veterinary surgery or veterinary service—under the direct and continuous supervision of a registered veterinary surgeon.".

Professor Sophia CHAN Siu-chee Secretary for Food and Health

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Explanatory Note Paragraph 1

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## **Explanatory Note**

The Veterinary Surgeons Registration Ordinance (Cap. 529) (*Ordinance*) prohibits a person from practising veterinary surgery or providing a veterinary service in Hong Kong unless the person is registered and holds a valid practising certificate. Persons listed in Schedule 2 to the Ordinance (*Schedule*) are exempted from the provisions of the Ordinance in the circumstances specified in the Schedule. Currently, a person is permitted under sections 3A, 3B and 3C of the Schedule to perform certain veterinary acts (*exempted acts*) under the direction or supervision, and on the premises of the practice, of a registered veterinary surgeon.

- 2. This Order amends the Schedule to permit a student of a full-time course in veterinary surgery, as part of the training required by the course, to perform—
  - (a) other acts of veterinary surgery and veterinary service in addition to the exempted acts under the direct and continuous supervision of a registered veterinary surgeon; and
  - (b) the exempted acts under the direction or supervision of a registered veterinary surgeon without being on the premises of the practice of a registered veterinary surgeon.