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The Regulation is established on the basis of Section 21 (1) of the Veterinary Act .

Chapter 1 General settings

§ 1. Name and purpose of the database

- (1) The official name of the database is "National register of veterinarians".
- (2) The purpose of the State Register of Veterinarians (hereinafter *the register*) is to ensure:
- 1) information to the consumer about veterinarians with the right to provide veterinary services;
 - 2) effective veterinary supervision of veterinary services;
 - 3) collection of necessary data for better organization of the field of veterinary medicine;
 - 4) responsible prescription, dispensing and use of medicines during the provision of veterinary services.
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§ 2. Controller in charge of the register

The responsible processor of the register (hereinafter *the processor*) is the Agriculture and Food Board.

§ 3. Register users

(1) The processor designates its official or employee as a user with administrator rights of the register (hereinafter *the administrator*). The administrator performs the tasks of the processor, including giving the processor's official or employee the right of access to the technological environment of the register. The administrator has the right to access all data and logs and can change the data if it is necessary to ensure the smooth operation of the system or data integrity.

(2) The processor designates its official or employee as the authorized user of the register (hereinafter *the authorized user*). The authorized user performs the tasks of the processor, including collecting, storing, organizing, changing, storing, disclosing and deleting registry data. An authorized user has the right to access data to the extent necessary for the performance of his official or work duties.

§ 4. Keeping the register

(1) The register is maintained digitally as a one-level information technology database with a web-based interface, and the data is processed digitally with software developed for maintaining the information system.

(2) The Ministry of Regional Affairs and Agriculture hosts the digital database of the register and organizes the management of the technological environment.

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(3) Data are in digital form in the register. Data is stored digitally.

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(4) The register consists of:

- 1) a digital database;
- 2) entry from the basic documents;
- 3) from archived register data.

§ 5. Registry security class

The registry security class is K1T1S2. The security level of the registry is medium (M).

Chapter 2 Data entered in the register and sources of data

§ 6. General information about the person applying for a veterinarian's professional activity permit and the person holding it with a veterinarian's qualification

(1) The following personal data shall be entered in the register regarding the person applying for a veterinarian professional license (hereinafter referred to as *a professional license*) and the person holding the veterinarian qualification (hereinafter referred to as *a person* in this section):

- 1) first and last name;
- 2) previous first and last name or previous first and last names;
- 3) personal identification number or, if it is not available, the year, month and day of birth;
- 4) the name and number of the identity document, if the person is not entered in the Estonian population register;
- 5) contact information: telephone number, e-mail address and postal address;
- 6) country of location of previous workplace.

(2) The following data certifying the qualification of a veterinarian shall be entered in the register for a person:

- 1) specialty;
- 2) specialization: a narrower specialty if it exists;
- 3) name and number of the document certifying the veterinarian's qualification;
- 4) the name of the educational institution that issued the document certifying the qualification of a veterinarian and the date of issuance of the document;
- 5) year of matriculation at the educational institution;
- 6) the country of issuance of the document certifying the qualification of a veterinarian;
- 7) previous recognition of the qualification of a veterinarian in a member state of the European Union, a contracting state of the European Economic Area or Switzerland.

(3) The following data certifying professional training in accordance with § 20 of the Veterinary Act shall be entered in the register:

- 1) time of professional training;
- 2) the number of hours of professional development;
- 3) the name of the trainer, supervisor or institution that organized the professional development;
- 4) content of professional training.

(4) The address of the person's place of work and the business name and registry code of the legal person or self-employed person are entered in the register.

(5) The following information regarding the granting of the rights of an authorized veterinarian to a person shall be entered in the register:

- 1) the date of the beginning of the authorization;
- 2) date of expiry of the authorization;
- 3) supervision area: county, object of supervision.

§ 7. Data on the professional activity permit

The following information about the professional activity permit is entered in the register:

- 1) Decision of the Agriculture and Food Board on granting or refusing to grant a professional activity permit, together with the decision number and the date of the decision;
- 2) professional activity permit number;
- 3) the country of issuance of the professional activity permit;
- 4) Decision of the Agriculture and Food Board on the suspension of the validity of the professional activity permit with the number of the decision and the date of the decision;
- 5) the period of suspension of the validity of the professional activity permit;
- 6) Decision of the Agriculture and Food Board on the invalidation of the professional activity permit, together with the decision number and the date of the decision;
- 7) the basis for revoking or revoking the professional activity permit;
- 8) date of archiving of veterinarian register data.

§ 8. Data on the prescription

The register shall include the following information about the prescription regarding the professional activity of a veterinarian:

- 1) the name of the economic administration institution that issued the prescription and the name of the person who issued the prescription;
- 2) date and number of the prescription;
- 3) content and legal basis of the injunction;
- 4) justification of the prescription;
- 5) deadline for compliance with the prescription;
- 6) data on compliance or non-compliance with the prescription;
- 7) in the event of a challenge to the injunction, until the decision on the challenge or complaint comes into force, a note on the challenge;
- 8) if there is a decision to invalidate the injunction, the time and scope of the decision to be invalidated.

§ 9. Data on the prohibition of activity

The following information is entered in the register regarding the prohibition of activity imposed by the judgment entered into force in the criminal case:

- 1) the date and number of the court decision applying the ban and the name of the court that made the decision;
- 2) the time when the ban comes into force;
- 3) the time of expiry of the ban;
- 4) scope of the ban.

§ 9 . Data on prescribed medicines and medicines issued and used during the provision of veterinary services

(1) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/578 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2019/6 of the European Parliament and of the Council regarding the sales volume of antimicrobial drugs and their use in animals (OJ L 123, 09.04.2021, pp. 7–20) shall be entered in the register. , listed in points 3 and 4 of the appendix, the following information about the medicine prescribed on the basis of the veterinary prescription and the medicine contained in the medicated feed prescribed on the basis of the veterinary prescription (hereinafter the *medicine prescribed* together) and the medicine issued and used during the provision of veterinary services:

- 1) name of the medicine, active ingredient and package code;
- 2) the quantity of the medicine as the number of packages, using decimal places if necessary;
- 3) number of treated animals;
- 4) in the case of a treated agricultural animal, the registration number of the animal keeper in the agricultural animal register of the place of business where the treated animal is kept.

(2) The data specified in paragraph 1 shall be entered in the register by animal species, categories and age groups specified in Article 15 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/578.

(3) In addition to the data entered in the register by animal species, categories and age groups specified in Article 15 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/578, the data specified in subsection 1 by the following animal species shall be entered in the register:

- 1) other than those specified in Article 2021/578 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 15 named domestic birds;
 - 2) deer;
 - 3) camelids;
 - 4) other than the aquaculture animals specified in Article 15 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/578.
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§ 10. Data from databases

(1) In the administrative system of the state information system, the data designated as the basic data of another database is obtained from the database where they are collected as basic data.

(2) Data exchange with other databases takes place through the data exchange layer of state information systems in accordance with the procedure established on the basis of § 43 (1) point 5 of the Public Information Act.

§ 11. Data received from data providers

(1) The data specified in § 6 subsections 1–4 and § 9 and 9 1 shall be obtained from the person applying for a professional activity permit and from the person holding it with the qualification of veterinarian .

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(2) The data specified in § 6 subsection 5 and § 7 and 8 are obtained from the processor.

Chapter 3

Processing of registry data and termination of registry activity

§ 12. Entry of data into the register

(1) The following enter data into the register:

- 1) processor;
- 2) a person applying for a professional activity permit and a person holding a veterinary qualification.

(2) The processor enters the data contained in the documents submitted to him and the data of the professional activity permit and prescription into the register no later than on the working day after receiving the data, making the decision or prescription on which the data is based.

(3) A person applying for a professional activity permit and a person with a veterinary qualification who holds it submits the data in an information system accessible via the security channel through the Estonian information gateway or a sign on the processor's website, in electronic form with a digital signature or in writing on paper. In the information system accessible via the security channel via the Estonian information gateway and the sign on the processor's website, the data provider is identified using an ID card, and the request to enter data into the register or change the register data does not need to be digitally signed.

§ 13. Correction of register data

(1) The processor checks the correctness of the register data if there is a reasonable suspicion that the register data is not correct. The processor enters information about the suspected incorrectness of the register data into the register, which remains there until the correctness of the data is established or until they are corrected.

(2) Correction of register data is the correcting of incorrect register data by the processor. Register data are incorrect if they do not correspond to the data provided in the documents that were the basis of the entry, if the same data have been updated in other data sets established on the basis of the law, or if there is a language or typographical error or other formal error in the register data.

(3) The processor corrects incorrect register data no later than on the working day following the day of learning about the incorrectness of the data.

§ 14. Documents underlying the entry of data into the register

Data are entered in the register on the basis of the following documents:

- 1) application for a professional activity permit;

- 2) an identity document, if the person is not entered in the Estonian population register;
 - 3) a document proving the qualification of a veterinarian, if necessary together with the veterinary education curriculum of the educational institution that issued the document proving the qualification of a veterinarian and the assessment of the Estonian University of Life Sciences regarding the conformity of the curriculum completed by the professional activity permit applicant to the relevant Estonian curriculum;
 - 4) a certificate of recognition of the veterinarian's qualification issued by a competent authority of a member state of the European Union, a contracting state of the European Economic Area or Switzerland;
 - 5) a document certifying the passing of the veterinarian's aptitude test or the completion of the final evaluation of continuing education in accordance with § 15 (5) of the Veterinary Act;
 - 6) a document certifying professional completion pursuant to § 20 of the Veterinary Act;
 - 7) Relevant decision made by the Board of Agriculture and Food;
 - 8) a judgment by which the veterinarian has been deprived of the right to provide veterinary services;
 - 9) a prescription regarding the activities of a veterinarian;
 - 10) request to change register data;
 - 11) records of prescribed drugs and drugs issued and used during the provision of veterinary services, which the veterinarian must keep in accordance with Regulation No. 68 of the Minister of Rural Affairs of November 23, 2021 "Detailed requirements and procedure for keeping records and submitting reports and data on the provision of veterinary services".
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§ 15. Invalidation of register data collected about a veterinarian

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- (1) Register data collected about a veterinarian shall be declared invalid in the following cases:
 - 1) in the case of a decision to refuse to grant a professional activity permit;
 - 2) in case of invalidation or invalidation of the professional activity permit.
- (2) Invalidated register data and their underlying documents shall be stored in the archive within the time limit provided for in § 21 subsection 8 of the Veterinary Act. The processor ensures access to the archived register data in case of legitimate interest.
- (3) Upon expiry of the retention period, invalidated register data shall be deleted.

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§ 15 . Storage of register data

Data on prescribed drugs and drugs issued and used during the provision of veterinary services are stored for five years from the date of data submission. After that, the data will be deleted.

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§ 16. Access to register data

- (1) The processor has access to all register data.
 - (2) A person applying for a professional activity permit and a person holding a veterinary qualification can access their data in the register through the Estonian information portal or the client environment referred to on the processor's website.
 - (3) From the register data, the data specified in § 6 (1) point 1 and subsection 5 and § 7 points 2 and 5 about the person with the qualification of a veterinarian holding a professional license and the data specified in § 9 1 about prescribed drugs and drugs issued
are
and used during the provision of veterinary services public . The data specified in § 6 subsection 1 point 5 of the authorized veterinarian shall also be made public.
 - (4) Public register data is made available to the public through the Estonian open data information portal and is made public on the processor's website.
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§ 17. Logging of register data

- (1) Entry of data into the register, including changes to register data, shall be logged. The content of the entry, the date and time, and the name of the person who made the entry are stored in the log.
- (2) The log is kept for three years from the date of entry.
- (3) When the retention period expires, the log is deleted.

§ 18. Termination of the Registry

The activity of the register will be terminated in accordance with the requirements stipulated in the Archives Act and the Public Information Act.

Chapter 4 Application settings

§ 19. Implementation provisions

- (1) The register is considered to be the national register of veterinarians, which was established by Regulation No. 30 of the Minister of Agriculture of April 7, 2015, "Statutory regulation of the national register of veterinarians".

(2) The processing of the data provided by Regulation No. 30 of April 7, 2015 of the Minister of Agriculture "Statutory Regulation of the National Register of Veterinarians" shall continue for the data provided in this Regulation.

1 of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/578 by animal species,

(3) The data specified in paragraph 1 of Section 9 categories and age groups specified in Article 15 (3) shall be entered in the register from January 1, 2029.
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§ 20. Entry into force of the Regulation

The regulation enters into force on December 1, 2021.