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## Declaration of a Person Making Application to Voluntarily Remove Their Name from the Register of Veterinary Surgeons

I.....of (Register Address)  
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hereby apply to the Registrar for the voluntary removal of my name from the Register of Veterinary Surgeons as from the .....day of .....200.....

on the grounds that:-

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I declare that I am not aware of any reason for the institution of proceedings which may lead to the removal of my name from the Register of Veterinary Surgeons under Section 16 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 (see guidance notes for details).

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

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## Guidance Notes Regarding Voluntary Removal of a Name From the Register of Veterinary Surgeons

Article 12 of The Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Practitioners (Registration Regulations) Order of Council 2001 provides as follows:-

- “12. The Registrar may remove from the Register or the Supplementary Veterinary Register the name of any registered veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner upon receipt of a written application by such surgeon or practitioner or on his/her behalf stating the grounds on which the application is made and accompanied by a declaration that the applicant is not aware of any reason for the institution of proceedings which may lead to the removal of the name under Section 16(1) of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966”

Section 16 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 provides as follows:-

**“16. Removal of names from register for crime or disgraceful conduct**

(1) If –

- (a) a person registered in the register is convicted in the United Kingdom or elsewhere of a criminal offence which, in the opinion of the disciplinary committee, renders him unfit to practise veterinary surgery; or
- (b) any such person is judged by the disciplinary committee to have been guilty of disgraceful conduct in any professional respect; or
- (c) the disciplinary committee is satisfied that the name of any such person has been fraudulently entered in the register.

The committee may, if they think fit, direct that his name shall be removed from the register or (except in a case falling within paragraph (c) of this subsection) that his registration therein shall be suspended, that is to say, it shall not have effect during a period specified in the direction.

- (2) Where the disciplinary committee direct that a person’s name shall be removed from the register or that his registration shall be suspended under this section, the registrar shall serve a notice of the direction on him.

- (3) This section shall apply in relation to the Supplementary Veterinary Register and persons registered in that register as it applies in relation to the Register of Veterinary Surgeons and Registered Veterinary Surgeons.”