

<b>MEETING</b>	<b>ADVISORY COMMITTEE</b>
<b>DATE</b>	<b>25 SEPTEMBER 2008</b>
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>CHANGES TO THE GUIDE TO PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT FOR VETERINARY SURGEONS</b>
<b>CLASSIFICATION</b>	<b>Unclassified</b>
<b>SUMMARY</b>	<p>The paper comprises changes made to the Guide to Professional Conduct during 2008. Any corresponding changes will be made to the Guide to Professional Conduct for Veterinary Nurses</p> <p>All approved changes will be incorporated in the 2009 update</p>
<b>DECISIONS REQUIRED</b>	<b>To recommend to Council new Guide changes</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS</b>	<b>NONE</b>
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**A CHANGES CONSIDERED BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND APPROVED BY COUNCIL**

**Part 1 D Your responsibilities to your clients**

- 8 j** from 31 October 2008, a reasonable charge may be made for written prescriptions; such prescriptions for POM-V medicines may be issued only for animals under the care of the prescribing veterinary surgeon and following his or her clinical assessment of the animals.

**B CHANGES APPROVED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Part 2 D Maintaining practice standards**

- 2** Details of the RCVS Practice Standards Scheme are set out in the annex RCVS Practice Standards. ~~[Practices described as 'to BSAVA Standards' (RCVS Practice Standards Scheme, Tier 2) or 'RCVS Recognised Veterinary Hospitals' (RCVS Practice Standards Scheme, Tier 3) must conform to the standards laid down by the British Small Animal Veterinary Association and the British Veterinary Hospitals Association respectively.]~~ relevant practice standards.

**Part 2 E Running the business**

- 16** ... Members of Animal Health (formerly the State Veterinary Service) should keep the regular practice informed ...

**B CHANGES FOR CONSIDERATION BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

**Part 2 H The use of veterinary medicinal products – Registration of Practice Premises**

See separate agenda item 5 Annex B

**Part 2 D Maintaining practice standards - Euthanasia without the owner's consent**  
see separate agenda item 8.

**Guidance for veterinary surgeons and veterinary nurses giving evidence in court – Revised Annex – see separate agenda item 7**

**The Annex on tail docking will include links in the sections covering England and Wales, to include a link to the Defra website and docking certificate; information on the types of dog**

**that may be docked; and links to the Docking of Working Dogs' Tails (England) and Docking of Working Dogs' Tails (Wales) Regulations.**

Professional Conduct Department

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