

REGISTRATION WITH THE SAVC AFTER A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS HAD LAPSED FROM OBTAINING THE PRESCRIBED QUALIFICATION

The Act determines that a holder of a prescribed degree who has not registered within a three-year period of qualifying must pass an examination.

Council will however consider a motivation stating the reasons why you should not be required to sit and pass an examination.

The assessment of applications submitted for registration after three years lapsed would include the attendance and **frequency of Continuing Professional Development [CPD] accumulation during the period of not being registered with Council.**

The approval for registration and/or re-registration with Council would be assessed on individual basis and merit. If recommended for examination, the format of the examination would be taken on individual merit which could be theoretical, practical or combination of both and part of the consideration would include the **frequency during which CPD was obtained in the period of not being registered with Council.**

- i) Applications for registration with Council would include police and medical clearance;
- ii) The completion of the jurisprudence examination may be required; and
- iii) The document would be adopted by the committee once all the changes have been effected.

COMPLETE THE TICKLIST	DID YOU INCLUDE THE INFORMATION AS PER THE LIST ?	
	YES	NO
To assist you in submitting such a motivation, information can be submitted as follows:		
1. Provide the reasons as to why you did not register with Council upon qualifying.		
2. Indicate how you kept abreast of your profession during the period from the date on which the (degree or diploma) was granted to date i.e. attendance of Continuing Veterinary Professional [CPD] Education courses, articles, journals etc. Include proof of CPD activities		
3. Indicate whether you were employed; and if so, in what field you were employed during the aforementioned period		
4. Indicate what experience /expertise you gained.		

<p>5. Provide a letter of good professional standing from the board where you were last registered (if applicable); and/or the institution where you were enrolled as a student during aforementioned period (if applicable).</p> <p>The letter must not be older than three months</p>		
<p>6. Documented proof of all of the above is required and can be submitted in the form of references from employers, colleagues, institutions and associations.</p>		

Relevant extracts from the Act are quoted for ease of reference

24. Requirements for registration. –(1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (1A), a person may be registered in terms of this Act to practise a veterinary profession or a para-veterinary profession if-

(a) in the case of a natural person, that person is the holder of an appropriate degree, diploma or certificate prescribed or accepted under section 20; or

(b) in the case of a juristic person, that person is a corporation or a private company

(1A) (a) If a period of more than three years has elapsed-

(i) from the date on which the degree, diploma or certificate, contemplated in subsection(1) was granted to a person, up to the date on which such person applies for registration in terms of section 25 for the first time; or

(ii) from the date on which the registration of a person is terminated in terms of section 28(1), up to the date on which such person applied for the reinstatement of his or her registration in terms of section 28 (5),

the council may determine that such person shall be registered as contemplated in subsection (1) only if he or she has passed an examination determined by the council.

(b) An examination referred to in paragraph (a) shall be conducted only after payment of such amount as may be determined by the council.

(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Act, a person who is not a holder of a degree, diploma or certificate prescribed under section 20, may be registered to practise any para-veterinary profession if-

(a) the person concerned submits his or her application for such registration to the registrar in the prescribed manner within six months from the date on which a notice relating to the para-veterinary profession concerned was published under section 21;

(b) such application is accompanied by documentary proof which satisfies the council that the person concerned practised the para-veterinary profession concerned for a continuous period of at least five years prior to the date of publication of the notice concerned, and is wholly or mainly dependent on the practise thereof for his or her livelihood; and

(c) the person concerned has passed an examination determined by the council.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (1) and (2) a person shall not be registered in terms of this Act if-

(a) he or she has at any time been removed from an office of trust on account of improper conduct;

(b) he or she has at any time been convicted of extortion, bribery, any offence under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1958 (Act No 6 of 1958), Part 1 to 4, or section 17, 20 or 21 (in so far as it relates to the aforementioned offences) of Chapter 2 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, 2004, theft, without the option of a fine;

(c) he or she is a patient or a President's patient as defined in section 1 of the Mental Health Act, 1973 (Act No. 18 of 1973); or

(d) his or her registration has been withdrawn under section 33 (1) (d), unless the council directs otherwise in a particular case.