

**What could be included in Acts of veterinary medicine [subject to consultation]**

- (a) Stomach tubing or naso-oesophageal intubation of horses
- (b) Laparoscopic insemination
- (c) Artificial insemination and embryo transfer of horses and camelids
- (d) Pregnancy testing of any animal by rectal examination
- (e) Ova or embryo transplants
- (f) Uterine swabbing of horses
- (g) Carrying out any treatment, procedure or test that involves the insertion of anything in the nasal passage, nasal sinuses, thoracic cavity, abdominal cavity, pelvic cavity, cranial cavity, spinal cavity, tooth alveolar cavity, eye, orbital cavity, tympanic cavity, joint spaces or any other synovial cavity of any animal
- (h) Microchipping of any animal other than a cat or dog (these are dealt with under the *Cat Act 2011* and the *Dog Act 1976*)
- (i) Acupuncture procedures
- (j) Sampling tissue from live animals
- (k) Cattle spaying
- (l) General anaesthesia
- (m) The performing on any animal of any dental procedure that involves:
  - making an incision through the skin or oral mucosa or entry below the gum line;
  - extracting a tooth;
  - or any other activity to maintain or restore correct dental function
- (n) The performing on a horse of any dental procedure that involves the use of a power tool [AVA Policy]
- (o) Acupuncture procedures [current regulation 2(2)(b)]

**What could be included in Acts that are not Acts of veterinary medicine [subject to consultation]**

- (a) Dressing and suturing wounds [current regulation 45(a)]
- (b) Immobilising a fractured limb by external fixation [current regulation 45(b)]
- (c) Treating milk fever or grass tetany [current regulation 45(c)]
- (d) Assisting a female animal at parturition [current regulation 45(e)]
- (e) Relieving bloat in ruminants
- (f) Vivisection and other experiments done in accordance with a licence under the *Animal Welfare Act 2002* Part 2 [drafting instruction provided 4 July 2019 to remove from Bill and include in Regulations; current regulation 45(i)]
- (g) First aid administered in an emergency for the purpose of saving the life of an animal or to relieve suffering by an animal, where the assistance of a veterinarian is not immediately available
- (h) The following when performed on equine teeth:
  - filing or rasping using non-motorised instruments;
  - removing sharp enamel points and small dental overgrowths (less than 3mm highland involving less than half the tooth's occlusal surface) using manual rasps;
  - removing loose deciduous teeth;
  - removing calculus above the gum line.