



National Veterinary Prescription System

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Work on implementation of the National Veterinary Prescription System continues. The legislation to introduce the new NVPS and to make it mandatory for all veterinary prescriptions was passed in the Dáil on 31st May.

However, the legislation must now travel through the Seanad and then Secondary legislation, to allow for changes to the prescribing of certain non-therapeutic treatment, will need to be finalised and agreed with all stakeholders.

The current proposal is that the system will become mandatory for use shortly after the legislation and subsequent secondary legislation are put in place.

For Co-Ops using current Point of Sale software, the changes in processes will be minimal as these systems will be integrating with the NVPS directly. The only difference is that Co-Ops will need to register with the NVPS team at NVPS@agriculture.gov.ie to ensure that they will be able to access antiparasitic scripts when the system becomes mandatory.