In its meeting on 26.1.2016 the Senate of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover decided on extensive amendments to the Doctoral Degree Regulations of 1.12.2005, last amended on 3.06.2011, on the basis of §§ 9 paragraph 3, 36, paragraph 3, 41 of the Lower Saxony University Higher Education Act. The amendments shall herewith be announced.

Doctoral Regulations of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover for conferring the academic degree of Doctor medicinae veterinariae

(1) Due to the following regulations the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover confers the academic degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (Doctor medicinae veterinariae, abbreviated and thus used hereinafter: Dr. med. vet.) for scientific performance in research fields which are represented therein.

(2) The doctorate degree serves as proof of the ability to carry out indepth independent scientific work. Evidence of this shall be provided by the presentation of a scientific work (dissertation) and an oral examination.

(3) The conferring and bearing of the academic title of Doctor are expressions of academic dignity (inauguration).

(4) The candidates must register as doctoral students at the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover and must fulfill the stipulated requirements set out in these regulations during the entire doctoral training programme.

§ 2 Admission Requirements

Requirements for admission to the doctoral studies are:

1. A successfully completed university degree in veterinary medicine;
2. A successfully completed corresponding degree abroad insofar as the Foreign Affairs Commission has recognised this as being equivalent on the basis of a positive list or decision in individual cases. If doubt exists concerning a foreign applicant that those final exams of the veterinary examination passed by the applicant are equivalent in accordance with the TAppO (the regulations for the licensing of veterinary surgeons), the Foreign Affairs Commission for Admission to the Doctoral Study can decide that he or she must take an assessment examination. The examination has to include three subjects in accordance with the TappO. The choice of the three subjects is made by the applicant in consultation with the supervisor and has to be connected with the theme of the dissertation. The choice of subjects in connection with the admission to the doctoral study has to be approved by the Doctoral Commission. The assessment examination takes place in the German language and is performed by a panel of three examiners who are appointed by the Doctoral Commission. These examine in their respective subject in accordance with the stipulated requirements in the TappO. The examination can in agreement with the examiners and the examinee also take place in the English language. In the case of failing the examination it is possible to resit the examination in the failed subjects once, at the earliest at the end of a semester. Further details are regulated by the Doctoral Commission;

3. Approved dissertation notification submitted within the prescribed period (§ 4);

4. Application for doctoral study (§ 6);

5. The registration as a doctoral student of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover during the entire doctoral programme;

6. Proof after receiving the doctoral theme of attendance at the introductory lecture for statistics, which for example is offered twice a year for doctoral supervision by the Institute for Biometry, Epidemiology and Information Processing;

7. Certification of the supervisor that the doctoral student has held two seminars (with own lecture) on the following topics:
   - compiling a bibliography and a concept for the intended dissertation;
   - results and their evaluation.
§ 3 Doctoral Commission

(1) The Senate appoints a Doctoral Commission for carrying out the doctoral examination procedures. This is responsible for all the doctoral regulations affecting the admission, the enrolment and the doctoral examination procedures.

(2) The Commission consists of the Vice President for Research, at least three further members of the university teaching staff, a postdoctoral research assistant as well as, in an advisory capacity, a doctoral student.

(3) The Commission is headed as a rule by the Vice President for Research.

§ 4 Dissertation Notification

(1) The doctoral student presents the President the doctoral project at the latest one year before submitting the application for doctoral study in the form of Document 1. Thereby the theme, the objectives, the planned research, a schedule as well as the expected new scientific findings have to be set forth and the supervisors and a possible second assessor have to be appointed. In the case of external doctoral students the cooperative nature of the study also has to be described (§ 5 para. 2, clause 4). Moreover, a notification addressed to the Animal Welfare Officer and confirmation of a briefing on the rules on ensuring good scientific practice have to be enclosed.

(2) The supervisor must validate the application with a signature and thereby declare that he or she will supervise the scientific research project and examine the dissertation. If several supervisors are appointed, they inform on validating the application who will compile the examiner’s report or whether an examiners’ joint report with several signatures will be compiled. In cases of doubt the Doctoral Commission reaches the decision after the doctoral notification has been received.

(3) In the case of doctoral students from non-German speaking countries the supervisor also has to provide information about the knowledge of German and whether attendance on a German course is essential.

(4) The dissertation notification shall be passed on by the President to the Doctoral Commission which approves this and stipulates the supervisors for assessing the dissertation.
§ 5 Supervision

As a rule the Doctoral Commission appoints at least a two-member supervisory group for each doctoral student. This consists of a habilitated expert supervisor at the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover as well as a further doctoral expert scientist. The Doctoral Commission can also agree to single supervision by a habilitated expert supervisor. Extraordinary professors are entitled to supervise dissertations if they have habilitated or hold qualifications equivalent to a habilitation. In order to evaluate the qualifications equivalent to a habilitation an informal application to the President has to be submitted, which includes the entire list of publication achievements since gaining the doctorate. The decision regarding the successful evaluation is made by the Senate on the recommendation of the permanent members of the Habilitation Commission.

(2) Should a dissertation be completed outside of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover (external dissertation) in addition an external supervisor has to be chosen who has habilitated or holds a comparable qualification to that of the habilitation. In this case the supervisor has to present the scientific career of the external supervisor within the notification of endeavour. In case of doubt the Doctoral Commission requests a curriculum vitae from the external supervisor. External dissertations are only permitted if they exist within the scope of a cooperative collaboration between a university institution and the external institution. In this case the joint supervision has to be documented on handing in the doctoral application, e.g. by a publication manuscript (at least submitted for publication), in which the supervisor of the university is named as author or co-author.

(3) Should various scientific institutes be involved in the dissertation a joint supervision is provided by a respective member of the institutions involved who fulfills the aforementioned requirements.

(4) The supervisory group concludes a supervision agreement with the doctoral student in accordance with Document 2.

(5) Whoever takes over the supervision of a doctorate procedure is obliged to issue an examiner’s report in accordance with § 4 paragraph 2, clause 10 on the dissertation in time for the submission of the doctoral application. Should the supervisory relationship be ended before submission of the doctoral application the President has to be promptly informed about this, with mention of the reasons for this.
All university professors and habilitated members of the university are obliged to make themselves available as a second or third assessor for dissertations if the Doctoral Commission has designated them for this purpose.

§6 Application of Doctoral Applicants

(1) The application of doctoral applicants is made in writing to the President of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover. The dates for the doctoral examinations are set by the Senate. The President decides on additional dates in agreement with the Doctoral Commission.

(2) To be enclosed in the application are:

1. A scholarly essay (dissertation), as a rule in German, in three bound copies (DIN A4)
2. The expert assessment of the supervisor
3. Confirmation of teaching those seminars required in the doctoral procedure as well as attendance at the introductory lecture of the elementary course in statistics
4. A curriculum vitae (in the German language) supplemented by a list of any scientific publications (Document 3)
5. A certified copy of the certificate of the veterinary examination according to the regulations for the licensing of veterinary surgeons (TappO) or a comparable veterinary final examination in a State of the European Union as long as the requirements of § 2 no. 2 are not presented
6. A passport photograph
7. Affirmed written assurance by the applicant (Document 4).

§ 7 Opening of the Doctoral Examination Procedures; Admission to Doctoral Studies

(1) After receiving the application of doctoral applicants the Doctoral Commission opens the doctoral examination procedures by presenting the requirements, in particular of § 2 of these regulations.
(2) The doctoral student as well as the supervisor must be informed about the opening or rejection in writing.

§8 Dissertation

(1) The dissertation must be an independent contribution of the doctoral student to research and contain new findings. It is not allowed to have been submitted for or used for an examination either at home or abroad or for attaining a higher educational degree. In this monograph one or several manuscripts ready for publication which have not already been obligatorily submitted for publication, can be integrated.

(2) Should the doctoral student have published partial results of the dissertation this must be expressly noted on a particular page.

(3) At least two works already published or accepted for printing which are thematically related (cumulative dissertation) can be recognised as a dissertation if the publication(s) is/are in (an) internationally recognised scientific journal(s) with a peer review and not older than two years or should still take place. The doctoral student has to be the sole or first author. In the case of joint publications with other authors the doctoral student has to state which independent part he or she had in the work. The cumulative dissertation must contain an introduction and a detailed summary of all results and a general discussion.

§ 9 Formal Requirements for the Dissertation

(1) The title page of the dissertation has to be arranged according to Documents 5a and 5b. The cover has to contain the title of the dissertation and its author.

(2) The dissertation must contain a list of contents, a bibliography as well as a structured summary in German and English, each headed with the name of the doctoral student and the title of the dissertation. This applies accordingly also for a work which should be recognised as a dissertation in accordance with § 8 paragraph 3. The leaflet from the library must be complied with.
(3) Should the dissertation or part of the dissertation be submitted in the English language an extended summary has to be written in the German language.

§ 10 Assessment of the Dissertation

(1) The assessment of the dissertation is carried out by the supervisory group or supervisor. The Doctoral Commission additionally obtains a further expert opinion on the dissertation after the dissertation has been handed in. This has to be done by a university lecturer or by a habilitated scientist who was not involved in the supervision of the dissertation and who does not belong to one of the scientific institutions involved. In the case of works from large scientific institutions (more than 2 departments) the last-mentioned condition is not applicable. The second opinion has, as a rule, to be handed in within four weeks after the dissertation has been sent. The dissertation and the expert assessment are available for at least 10 days for inspection by lecturers of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover after the work has been submitted, who are given the opportunity to submit written comments to the Doctoral Commission within the above mentioned deadline. Afterwards the work shall be deemed accepted.

(2) Both expert assessments must be given in writing and independently from one another. In each assessment in conclusion an evaluation according to the following scale of grades has to be carried out:

“very good” (= 1)
“good” (= 2)
“satisfactory” (= 3)
“unsatisfactory” (= 4)

For differentiation purposes the standardised grades can be increased or reduced by 0.3. The grades 0.7 and 4.3 cannot be awarded.

(3) Should an examiner have found deficiencies in the dissertation he or she may suggest in a preliminary assessment that these shortcomings be removed. The Doctoral Commission decides on and set a deadline of, as a rule, one year for the shortcomings to be removed. The dissertation should if at all possible be presented again to the same assessor for the final assessment. Should the named deadline in
clause 1 not be kept, as a rule the doctoral procedures have to be ended in accordance with §12 paragraph 3.

(4) The dissertation shall be deemed accepted if it has been evaluated in both assessments with at least “satisfactory” and a possible objection by a lecturer has been dispelled. Should the grade “unsatisfactory” be awarded in both assessments then the dissertation is rejected.

(5) Should the dissertation be evaluated in an assessment with “unsatisfactory” or objections against the acceptance of the work could not be dispelled, then the Doctoral Commission solicits the opinion of a third examiner, a university professor, who should be a member of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover who is available for the assessment. He or she proposes to the Doctoral Commission, which makes the final decision under consideration of all three examiners, the acceptance or rejection of the dissertation. Paragraph 3 shall not apply for the third assessment report. The third assessor can only insist on the removal of any deficiencies which a previous assessor has already called for.

(6) In the case of rejection of the dissertation the doctoral procedures must be ended. The President informs the applicant in writing of the rejection of the dissertation with justification for this as well as ending of the doctoral procedures with information on the candidate’s statutory rights. The Senate makes a decision regarding an objection after consulting the Doctoral Commission.

(7) In the case of unsuccessful completion of the doctoral procedures the dissertation is not allowed to be submitted to any other higher educational institute or university as a doctoral thesis.

§ 11 Oral Examination

(1) Should the dissertation be accepted an oral examination takes place in front of at least two university professors or habilitated members of the teaching staff of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover who must be members of various scientific institutes. § 10 Paragraph 1 Clause 3 of the regulations for the licensing of veterinary surgeons shall apply accordingly. Unless the Doctoral Commission decides otherwise the assessors are the examiners. The examiners and the examination date are decided upon by the President acting on a proposal from the
Doctoral Commission and the doctoral student is informed in writing at least seven days before the examination date.

(2) The oral examination is as a matter of priority related to the dissertation theme. It can be held in English in coordination with both of the examiners.

(3) The oral examination must be evaluated by the examiners with a joint grade in accordance with the scale of grades according to § 10 paragraph 2. In the case of differences in assessments the joint grade is based on the arithmetical mean. Should the applicant fail to attend the oral examination without good reason, the examination shall be deemed as failed.

(4) After passing the oral examination the accepted titled page of the dissertation is attached.

(5) If the examination was evaluated with “unsatisfactory” or is regarded as not passed, it may be repeated once on one of the two following doctoral examination dates. In the case of renewed insufficient performance or absenteeism without sufficient reason the doctoral procedure must be ended. § 10 paragraph 6 applies accordingly.

§ 12 Overall Assessment

(1) After the oral examination the Doctoral Commission determines the overall evaluation on the basis of the evaluation of the dissertation (§ 10) and the oral examination (§ 11). In the case of coming to an overall assessment the evaluations of the dissertation and the grade for the oral examination count for a third each. The grades are with an average of

1.0: very good (with distinction)
(summa cum laude)

In case the prerequisites of paragraph 2 are met,
From 1.0 to 1.4: very good (magna cum laude),
From 1.5 to 2.4: good (cum laude),
More than 2.4: satisfactory (rite).

(2) The grade summa cum laude (with distinction) can only be awarded if the overall assessment is a grade 1.0 and the dissertation was made available again to the group of university professors for a period of 10 days.

(3) The applicant is informed by the President about the result of the doctoral procedures, in the case of rejection with justification and information on the candidate’s statutory rights.

§ 13 Publication

(1) The doctoral students are obliged to make the dissertation available to the scientific public.

(2) In addition, they deliver, at the latest one week before the day of the doctorate awards ceremony 10 printed copies of the dissertation in A5 size. Should the dissertation have to be published in electronic form a digital copy of the dissertation and 3 printed copies form this have to be handed in. File format and data medium conform with the guidelines of the university library. The publication of the dissertation in a journal or as a monograph by a commercial publisher is permitted. In these cases 10 copies of the dissertation also have to be delivered to the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover. The requirements of § 9 must be fulfilled.

(3) In the case of a planned registration of intellectual property rights the publication of the dissertation may be delayed for a time period of up to six months. An appropriate application must be available at the time of submission of the dissertation to the Doctoral Commission.

§ 14 Doctoral Certificate and Overview of the Doctoral Performance and Awarding of the Doctoral Degree

(1) The doctoral certificate and overview of the performance thereof according to the given samples in documents 6a and 6b are personally signed by the President. They are dated on the day of the oral examination.
(2) In the overview of the doctoral performance (document 6b) the final grade of the examination has to be given.

(3) The President issues the doctoral certificate and overview of the doctoral performance as soon as all the doctoral attainments have been fulfilled and the obligatory copies or the dissertation in digital form as well as the copies thereof have been delivered. Only after the doctoral certificate has been handed over is the right established to bear the title of Doctor.

§ 15 Withdrawal of the Application of Doctoral Applicants

An application of doctoral applicants may be withdrawn by a written declaration to the President, as long as the second assessment has not yet been carried out.

§ 16 Resumption of the Doctoral Procedure

(1) If a doctoral procedure is unsuccessfully completed, the German veterinary educational institutions have to be informed about this.

(2) A new doctoral procedure can only be initiated once, not before six months have elapsed. This also applies if the first doctoral procedure is unsuccessfully completed at another German educational institution.

§ 17 Graduation after completing a PhD Degree

(1) The granting of the academic degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) due to a particular regulation of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover does not entitle the right to use the academic degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (Dr. med. vet.).

(2) Whoever is entitled to the PhD degree awarded by the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover and fulfills the requirements according to § 2 no.1, 2 can submit an application requesting that he or she be awarded the degree of Doctor
of Veterinary Medicine (Dr. med. vet.) instead. The declaration stating that he or she in the case of being granted the right to graduate as a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (Dr. med. vet.) will irrevocably renounce his/her right to hold the PhD degree has to be enclosed with the application. The declaration must be notarially certified.

(3) The Senate reaches the decision on the application after consulting the PhD Commission and the Doctoral Commission. The doctoral certificate is issued according to the sample set out in document 7. § 14 paragraph 1 shall apply with the provision that the doctoral certificate is dated on the day of the Senate’s decision.

(4) The issuing of the doctoral certificate introduces the right to bear the degree title of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (Dr. med. vet.). Simultaneously, renouncing the PhD degree comes into effect. The renunciation is irrevocable. A protocol documenting the issuing of the certificate has to be signed by the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and the President.

§ 18 Annulment of the Doctoral Examinations

Should important requirements for the enrolment for the doctorate have wrongly been assumed to exist or the applicant has committed fraud during a doctoral examination the Senate can declare the doctoral examinations for invalid.

§ 19 Denial of a Doctorate

The doctoral degree may be denied by the Senate in particularly serious cases.

§ 20 Golden Doctoral Graduation Anniversary

On the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Graduation Day the doctoral certificate can be renewed by a decision of the Senate of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover. It bears the date on which it was handed over.
§21 Honorary Doctorate

(1) The University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover can award the degree and the honour of a “Doctor medicinae veterinariae honoria causa” (Dr. med. vet. h.c.). For this, a decision with a majority vote of at least two thirds of the members of the group of university professors of the Senate is essential.

(2) The honorary graduation takes place with the handing over of a certificate signed by the President in which a speech decided upon by the Senate is included.

(3) The Lower Saxony Ministry for Science and Culture and the German veterinary educational institutions are notified of the honorary graduation.

(4) The regulations of §§18 and 19 shall apply.

§22 Transitional Agreement

These regulations apply for proposed doctoral theses which are announced after these regulations have come into force. For proposed doctoral theses which were already announced before these regulations came into force, the doctoral regulations from 1.12.2005 in the version of 3.6.2011 continue to apply.

§23 Coming into Force

The doctoral regulations decided upon by the Senate shall herewith be made public. They come into force on the day after being published in the “Verkündungsblatt” of the university.

Hannover, 2 June 2016
Sample of the dissertation notification in accordance with § 4 paragraph 1 of the doctoral regulations in the amended version of 2 June 2016

Surname: …………………………………………………. First name: ……………………………………………………………..

Address: ………………………………………………………

Theme of the planned dissertation: …………………

(Tip: The description of the work should not be longer than 2 DIN A4 pages)

Objective: …………………

Planned investigations: …………………

Expected new findings: …………………

Methodology of the work: …………………

Time schedule and expected length of work: ………………………………………

Supervisor (internal): ………………………………………

Name …………………….. Higher Educational Institute:

Suggestion regarding appointing a possible second assessor (§ 10 paragraph 1):

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In the event of an external dissertation:

In the case of external dissertations an external supervisor has to be named additionally.

Supervisor (external):

Name         Institute (external)

An explanation regarding the cooperative nature of the dissertation is essential (in accordance with § 5 paragraph 2 of the Doctoral Regulations of 1.12.2005),

Candidate`s signature      date

To be filled in by the supervisor:

With my signature I confirm the registration of the above mentioned dissertation and declare that I will supervise the intended research project and assess the dissertation. (should several supervisors be named information has to be provided as to who will write the assessment report or whether a joint assessment report will be written)

In the case of candidates from non-German speaking countries the supervisor must give details concerning the German knowledge and possible need for a German course,

In the case of external dissertations:

A description of the scientific career of the external supervisor:
The following documents are required:

- Notification to the Animal Welfare Officer
- Confirmation of instruction in the regulations upholding good scientific practice
- Declaration of the supervisor that he/she will supervise and assess the dissertation
Supervision Agreement

Members of the Supervisory group:

(1) The members of the supervisory group, as a rule consisting of the habilitated expert supervisor at the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover as well as a further doctoral expert scientist are appointed by the Dr. Med. vet. Doctoral Commission (see Doctoral Regulations § 5).

(2) The members of the supervisory group or in the case of single supervision the supervisor are responsible for the proper fulfilment of the doctoral thesis (see Doctoral Regulations § 5). They have professional authority over the doctoral student, are available in an advisory capacity and can give instructions concerning corrections of completed theses or the carrying out of certain tasks.

(3) The supervisor instructs the doctoral student in the rules of good scientific practice (see also http://www.tiho-hannover.de/de/studium-lehre/promotion-und_phd-programme/promotion-dr-med-vet/gute-wissenschaftliche-praxis). Both parties are obliged to respect and to follow these regulations. Should the members of the supervisory group or the supervisor receive notification of breaches by the doctoral student of scientific honesty, the doctoral relationship in accordance with the rules of the doctoral regulations of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover must be ended immediately.

Doctoral student:

(4) The doctoral student is obliged to fulfill the agreed upon objectives. Should these for reasons which the doctoral student can be held responsible, repeatedly not be achieved in the intended period of time, the doctoral relationship can thus be ended.
The members of the supervisory group and the doctoral student:

(5) The doctoral project follows the agreed upon schedule between the doctoral student and the supervisory group or supervisor in the dissertation notification. The completion includes submitting the dissertation.

(6) The supervisory group and the doctoral student agree upon the following method of publication:

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(7) The supervisor and the doctoral student notify the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover of the dissertation theme (Dissertation Notification).

(8) The members of the supervisory group or the supervisor and the doctoral student agree upon conciliation talks if the dissertation project appears to be jeopardised due to existing conflicts. Should the trust relationship be severely damaged the doctoral relationship can be ended by both parties.

(9) The members of the supervisory group or the supervisor and the doctoral student check up at least once a year up until submitting the dissertation text by means of recorded briefings whether the agreed upon objectives can be met. The doctoral student is responsible for arranging the meetings. At these meetings the doctoral student presents his/her results. The members of the supervisory group evaluate them on their quality together with the doctoral student. Hereby the doctoral student receives assurance about the validating of his/her research approach. It should be avoided that already completed and discussed sections require fundamental correction afterwards and that the completion of the work is thereby unreasonably delayed. Not affected by this are corrections and instructions which are essential for a proper completion of the dissertation or which become essential during the course of completion.
(10) The supervisory group or supervisor and the doctoral student can reach further agreements:

a) Work schedule (where appropriate to be attached to this document)

b) Handling of original data:

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c) The following workplace is made available to the doctoral student:

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Signature of the members of the supervisory group

Signature of the doctoral student
Sample of the curriculum vitae to be handed in

The curriculum vitae (in the German language § 6 paragraph 2 no. 4 of the Doctoral Regulations) should contain the following details:

1. All first, second and last names of the applicant
2. Place (in the case of foreign towns indicate the state as well), date of birth
3. Nationality
4. Schools attended (with details of time and place, in the case of foreign towns indicating the state as well)
5. When and where the higher education entrance qualification was obtained
6. When and where and with which overall grade the veterinary science preliminary examination and the veterinary science examination were completed
7. Where appropriate the date of issue of licence to practice as a veterinary surgeon (approbation)
8. Professional work as a veterinary surgeon.

A list of any scientific publications (quoted in full)

The accuracy of the given information must be confirmed by signature.
Sample of the declaration according to § 6 paragraph 2, no.7

(copy will be inserted as penultimate page in the dissertation (A4), the original in the doctoral application)

Declaration in lieu of an oath

(The declaration must be written by hand and signed).

Hereby I declare in lieu of an oath that I wrote the dissertation (details of exact title) on my own in accordance with the rules of good scientific practice. The following support of a third party was sought when completing the dissertation:

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I have taken no help against payment from consultancy services (doctoral advisor or other persons). No-one has received payment indirectly or directly for work which is in anyway connected with the contents of the submitted dissertation. I completed the dissertation at the following institutions:

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The dissertation was not submitted previously for an examination or doctoral course of study or for a similar purpose for assessment.

(If the dissertation was completed at an external institution a declaration of the appropriate head also has to be enclosed, stating that he/she agrees to the work
being submitted in form of a dissertation to the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover.)

I declare that I was informed about the meaning of the declaration in lieu of an oath. I was notified of the content of the following provisions of the penal code: § 156 StGB – making false declarations.

Date, own signature
(without Foundation) University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover

No further institute either internal or external!

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(Dr. med. vet.)

submitted by
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Scientific supervision:

1\textsuperscript{st} supervisor and his or her institute

2\textsuperscript{nd} member of the supervisory group or if appropriate the external supervisor and his or her institute

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Day of the oral examination:

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