**SOC2010 Revision: Final Changes**

This document outlines the decisions made from the SOC Revision Working Group for final changes to the SOC2010 structure.

Please refer to the spreadsheet for the proposed final structure: <https://gss.civilservice.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Proposed_Final_SOC2020_structure.xlsx>. Please note that until the official publication of SOC2020 this structure is still subject to change.

If you have any comments or evidence which supports or refutes any of these proposals, please send them to socrevision@ons.gov.uk by Tuesday 30 April. These will be considered before any final decisions are made.

Note numbers in green refer to SOC2020 groups numbers. In black SOC2010.

The following changes were previously reported:

* ‘Veterinary nurses’ (6131) would move to Major Group 2 (Professional Occupations) within a newly created Minor group for ‘Veterinary Professionals’ (224)
* ‘Dental and Medical technicians’ (3218) would be disaggregated and would move to Major Group 2, Minor Group ‘Other Health Professionals’ (225)
* the job title of ‘Aircraft engineer (licensed)’ would move to Major Group 2 within the new SOC2020 Unit Group for ‘Aerospace engineers’ (2126)

We have recently received new comments on the above issues. The SOC Revision Working Group reviewed all the supplied evidence and comments. New evidence highlighted that both Unit Groups and single job title mentioned above are not suitable for inclusion to Major group 2. The following changes have been proposed:

**Issue 1. Veterinary Nurses:**

**Proposal:**

* Veterinary nurses (3240) will move to Major Group 3 (Associate Professional Occupations) within its own Minor group named Veterinary Nurses (324)
* The Minor Group name of Veterinary Professionals (224) will be renamed ‘Veterinarians’ and will contain the Unit Group Veterinarians (2240)

**Issue 2. Dental and Medical technicians:**

**Proposal:** Some existing index entries that currently code to ‘Medical and dental technicians’ will be coded to appropriate unit groups in Major Group 2.

The 2 proposed Unit Groups for ‘Medical technicians’ and ‘Dental technicians’ will be recombined and move to Major Group 3 within the Minor Group ‘Health Associate Professionals’ (321).

**Issue 3. Aircraft Engineer (licensed):**

**Proposal:** The job title of ‘Aircraft engineer (licensed)’ will remain in their existing unit group ‘Engineering technicians’ (3113).

**Unit Group Name changes**

**Issue 4.** ‘Complementary medicine associate professionals’ (3214) will be renamed ‘Complementary health associate professionals’.

**Issue 5.** ‘Fitness instructors’ (3433) will be renamed ‘Fitness and wellbeing instructors’.