

Authorised Decision Maker – decision to grant voluntary removal

Steven Rule - A8136503

Date of decision – 29/09/2026

Decision

1. On 22/09/2026, Steven Rule applied for their entry to be removed from the register of physician associates and anaesthesia associates (the register).
2. Article 9(2)(c)(i) of [The Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024 \(AAPAO\)](#) allows us to remove an entry from the register when asked to do so by the associate.
3. I am satisfied that there are no concerns about their fitness to practise or any other reasons that would prevent me from granting their application for removal of their entry.
4. I have therefore decided to grant the application and remove Steven Rule's entry from the register, under rule 11(2) of the [General Medical Council \(Registration\) \(Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates\) Rules 2024](#).
5. Removal of the entry will take effect on the day when notification of this decision is served, in accordance with [rule 27\(5\)](#).

Legislation

[The GMC \(Registration\) \(Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates\) Rules 2024](#) set out that:

11(1) An associate may submit a removal application in writing to the Registrar, in the form required by the Regulator.

(2) Where satisfied that a removal application is complete, except where the application is referred under rule 12(1), 12(2), 12(3), or 13(2) the Registrar must consider and:

(a) grant the application and remove the entry from the register in accordance with powers under article 9(2)(c)(i) of the Order; or

(b) refuse the application.