

## Chapter VE 4

### LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT FOR VETERINARIANS

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**Note:** Chapter VE 4 as it existed on September 30, 1989 was repealed and a new Chapter VE 4 was created effective October 1, 1989.

**VE 4.01 Qualification for veterinary license by endorsement.** (1) Any applicant who has previously failed and has not subsequently passed the examinations required under s. VE 3.02 (2) shall not be issued a license by endorsement.

(2) A person holding a current license to practice veterinary medicine in another state or U.S. territory or province of Canada may become licensed in Wisconsin without examination, except an examination on state laws and rules related to the practice of veterinary medicine, if the applicant meets all of the following:

(a) Has actively practiced for 4000 hours during the 5 years preceding application.

(b) Has never been disciplined by the veterinary licensing authority in any other state, territory or country.

(c) Does not have a conviction record or pending criminal charge relating to an offense the circumstances of which substantially relate to the practice of veterinary medicine. An applicant who has a conviction record or pending criminal charge shall request appropriate authorities to provide information about the record or charge directly to the board in sufficient specificity to enable the board to make a determination whether the record or charge substantially relates to the practice of veterinary medicine.

(d) Is not a party in pending litigation in which it is alleged that the applicant is liable for acts committed in the course of practice which evidence a lack of ability or fitness to practice, as determined by the board.

(e) Is not currently under investigation by another veterinary licensing authority related to the license to practice veterinary medicine for acts which would provide a basis for disciplinary action in this state, as determined by the board.

(f) Has never been found liable for damages for acts committed in the course of practice of veterinary medicine which evidenced a lack of ability or fitness to practice, as determined by the board.

(g) Has never had United States drug enforcement administration privileges restricted or revoked.

(h) Has no physical or mental impairment, including impairment related to drugs or alcohol, which is reasonably related to the applicant's ability to adequately undertake the practice of veterinary medicine in a manner consistent with the safety of a patient or the public.

(3) A person holding a current unrestricted license to practice veterinary medicine in a country other than the United States or Canada, who is not a graduate of an approved veterinary college, in addition to the requirements of sub. (2), shall submit evidence that the applicant has successfully completed the certification program of the educational commission for foreign veterinary graduates of the AVMA.

(4) A person holding a current unrestricted license to practice veterinary medicine in a country other than the United States or Canada, who is a graduate of a school of veterinary medicine approved by the board, in addition to the requirements of sub. (2), shall submit the following:

(a) Evidence satisfactory to the board that the requirements for initial licensure in the country where the applicant was originally licensed, including examination requirements, are substantially equivalent to the requirements for graduates of schools of veterinary medicine approved by the board who are seeking initial licensure in this state; or

(b) Before November 1, 2000, evidence that the applicant has successfully completed the national board examination and the clinical competency test. On or after November 1, 2000, evidence that the applicant has successfully completed the north American veterinary licensing examination.

**History:** Cr. Register, September, 1989, No. 405, eff. 10-1-89; r. and recr. (3), Register, June, 1997, No. 498, eff. 7-1-97; am. (1), (2) (intro.), (a) to (g) and (3), r. (5), Register, December, 1998, No. 516, eff. 1-1-99; am. (4) (b), Register, May, 2001, No. 545, eff. 6-1-01.

**VE 4.02 Application procedure.** An applicant for licensure by endorsement shall file a completed application with the board. All supporting documents shall be submitted in English. An application is not complete until the board receives:

(1) An application form provided by the board and completed by the applicant which includes the applicant's notarized signature.

(3) The fee required under s. 440.05 (2), Stats.

(4) Verification of licensure records and status which has been sent directly to the board by every state or country in which the applicant has ever held a license or certificate to practice veterinary medicine.

(5) A certificate of graduation from veterinary college which shall be signed and sealed by the dean of the school and submitted directly to the board by the school.

**History:** Cr. Register, September, 1989, No. 405, eff. 10-1-89; r. (2), am. (3), Register, December, 1998, No. 516, eff. 1-1-99.

**VE 4.03 Examination on state laws.** An applicant for licensure by endorsement shall successfully complete an examination on state laws and rules related to the practice of veterinary medicine before a license can be issued.

**History:** Cr. Register, September, 1989, No. 405, eff. 10-1-89.

**VE 4.04 Licensure.** The board shall review its records to determine eligibility of the applicant for licensure. Within 30 business days of determining an applicant is eligible for licensure, the board shall issue a license to the applicant.

**History:** Cr. Register, September, 1989, No. 405, eff. 10-1-89.