

Chapter VE 3

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

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VE 3.01 Definitions. (1) "Board" means the Veterinary Examining Board.

(2) A veterinary student. A person enrolled in a United States or Canadian Veterinary School.

(4) DIRECT SUPERVISION. A licensed veterinarian must order all work and assume full responsibility for all work performed by veterinary students. Further, the veterinarian must be available to give direct personal care to animal patients.

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VE 3.02 Prohibited acts. The following acts constitute unprofessional or dishonorable conduct by a veterinarian and are prohibited:

(1) Failure to report to the state department of agriculture the existence of any communicable disease coming to his knowledge. "Communicable disease" within the meaning of this subsection shall include the following:

(a) Diseases for which eradication or control programs or emergency stand-by programs have been established by the state department of agriculture.

(b) Diseases not presently established in the state but which may pose a threat to the animal health of the state.

(c) Brucellosis, tuberculosis, sheep scabies, Johne's disease, hog cholera, rabies, scrapie, vesicular exanthema, anthrax, and such other diseases as may be designated as communicable by the state department of agriculture.

(2) Gross negligence in the practice of veterinary medicine.

(3) Use of unprofessional advertising which shall include without limitation because of enumeration:

(a) The use of printed or any other type of advertising which contains wording other than the name of licensee, office hours, location, telephone number, and educational matter not prohibited by law.

(b) Advertising professional superiority or the performance of professional services in a superior manner.

(c) False or misleading advertising having for its purpose or intent deception or fraud.

(4) The employment of fraud, misrepresentation or deception in obtaining a license to practice veterinary medicine.

(5) Conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude or conviction of a felony, in which case the record of such a conviction is conclusive.

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- (6) Chronic inebriety or habitual use of drugs.
- (7) Failure to comply with any provision of chapter 95, Wis. Stats., or chapter Ag 10 of the Wisconsin administrative code.
- (8) Conviction of or cash compromise of a charge of violation of U.S. Public Law 91-513 (Controlled Substances Act of 1970) and/or parallel Wisconsin Statutes. The record of such a conviction or compromise is conclusive.
- (9) Conviction by a court of law of a charge of cruelty to animals, in which case the record of such conviction is conclusive.
- (10) Failure to keep one's premises and all equipment therein in a clean and sanitary condition.
- (11) Failure of a licensee to permit the board or its agents to enter or inspect his premises during reasonable hours.
- (12) Fraud and deception in the practice of veterinary medicine.
- (13) Failure of a licensee to notify the board within 30 days from a date of employing a student who is enrolled in the professional veterinary curriculum of an approved United States or Canadian Veterinary College.
- (14) Failure of a licensed veterinarian to give the veterinary student the required direct supervision.

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VE 3.03 Board action. The board may deny, suspend or revoke the license of any person to practice veterinary medicine who engages in any of the acts prohibited in section VE 3.02.

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