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VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD

APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR VETERINARY ENDORSEMENT CANDIDATES

Applicants for licensure by endorsement must hold a current license to practice veterinary medicine in another state, U.S. territory, country or province of Canada and have actively practiced for 4000 hours during the 5 years preceding application as a licensed veterinarian.

Applicants must submit the documents requested on page 2 of the application Form #655: (All supporting documents must be submitted in English.)

1. **APPLICATION FORM.** Please complete "Application for Licensure to Practice Veterinary Medicine" and submit documents requested on page 2 of the application.
2. **LICENSURE FEE.** Checks or money orders are to be made payable to the Department of Safety and Professional Services.
3. **VERIFICATION OF LICENSURE IN OTHER STATES.** You are required to have each state/country board in which you have ever been licensed submit letters of verification to the Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board. The letters must indicate your license number, date of issuance, status, and a statement regarding disciplinary actions. These letters will be required in order to complete your application for licensure.
4. **CERTIFICATE OF PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION FORM #1420.** Forward this form to your veterinary college to be signed and sealed by the dean of the school. Request them to submit this form directly to the Veterinary Examining Board.
5. **EXAMINATION ON WISCONSIN LAW.** An applicant for licensure shall successfully complete an online open book examination on Wisconsin Statutes and Rules relating to the practice of veterinary medicine before a license can be issued in Wisconsin. To view instruction go to the Department website at dps.wi.gov.
6. **FOREIGN APPLICANTS WHO ARE NOT A GRADUATE OF A SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE APPROVED BY THE BOARD SHALL SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING IN ADDITION TO THE ITEMS LISTED IN #1-5 ABOVE:**

Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates (ECFVG) of the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA): a letter directly from AVMA attesting to that fact that you have completed the E.C.F.V.G. program. If you are in the final stage of the E.C.F.V.G. program, a letter attesting to that fact must be received directly from the AVMA prior to the NAVLE examination deadline. Please note; you will not be issued a license until you have completed the E.C.F.V.G. program.

Program for Assessment of Veterinary Education Equivalence (PAVE) of the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB): a letter directly from AAVSB attesting to that fact that you have completed the P.A.V.E program. If you are in the final stage of the P.A.V.E. program, a letter attesting to that fact must be received directly from the AAVSB prior to the NAVLE examination deadline. Please note; you will not be issued a license until you have completed the P.A.V.E. program.

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7. FOREIGN GRADUATES WHO ARE A GRADUATE OF A SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE APPROVED BY THE BOARD SHALL SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING IN ADDITION TO ITEMS LISTED IN #1-5 ABOVE:

- a) Evidence 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) Evidence that the applicant has successfully completed the national board examination and the clinical competency test or NAVLE in another state. Must request scores to be sent to Wisconsin. Contact the Veterinary Information verifying Agency of the American Association of Veterinary State Boards at www.aavsb.org/viva.html.

THE BOARD MAY REQUIRE AN APPLICANT TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD TO DETERMINE QUALIFICATIONS.